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Signage review gears up

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Bethel's newly formed Committee for Sign Ordinance Reform sat down and got to work Tuesday evening.

Members Paul LeGault (chairman), Frank Delduca (vice chairman), Kathleen Thrall, Ron Savage, Lauri Windsor and Don Bennett (Richard Blanco did not attend) spent much of their first meeting attempting to clarify the committee's charge and determining how best to go about meeting it.

The committee was formed as the result of ongoing complaints about the town's current, 16-year-old sign ordinance, especially that its provisions on directional (a.k.a. "wayfaring") signs are overly restrictive and not flexible enough to allow businesses to effectively attract customers.

At town meeting last month voters approved the formation of the committee, and the allocation of \$10,000 to pay for a professional signs consultant to study the present ordinance and come up with ways to improve it.

Town Manager Jim Doar, in a two page description of the role of a consultant, described the purpose of the study as follows: "To simplify wayfaring throughout the Town for vehicle and transit users through development of a comprehensive signage system suitable for immediate implementation. The plan will facilitate travel, commerce and visitation to and within the Town, while strengthening historic identity and sense of place for districts, neighborhoods, and signature destinations."

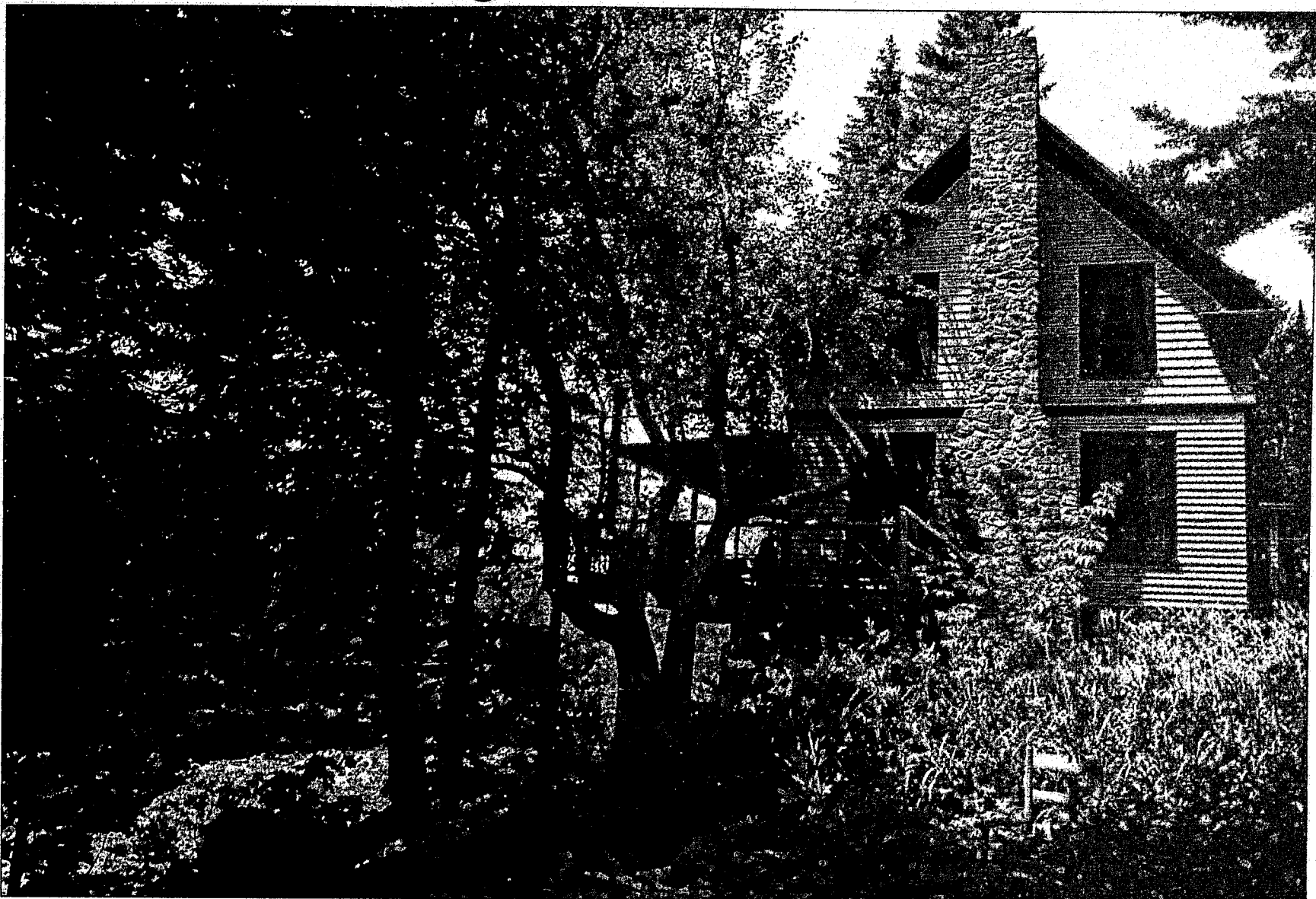
The committee's deadline for doing this for the directional component is Sept. 14.

On Tuesday LeGault offered his own summary of the road ahead.

"I look at the evolution the next weeks as going through three major stages. One being looking at current state — What do we have in the current

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Forest Lodge — 'The Summer House'



The big house, wrote Louise Dickinson Rich, "is big and airy and the walls are too thin for warmth and it sprawls all over the place. I like it because it is on a high bluff over the river, with a view and sun-light and space to spread out in; because it has a huge stone fire-place that will take four-foot logs and really heat the living-room in the wettest, coldest September rain storm; because there is a wide porch over the river ..."

(Photo: A. Alonzo)

Louise Dickinson Rich's 'Summer House' for sale

By ALISON ALOISIO

The two houses on the Rapid River in Upton where best-selling author Louise Dickinson Rich lived will be split up by the sale of one, and the hoped-for preservation of the other.

Rich's first book, "We Took to the Woods," was

published in 1942 and became a national best-seller. It tells about her life with her husband and children in the wilds of western Maine — stories, often filled with dry humor, of living off the land, bartering and trading for needed items, surviving winters and a hurricane,

encountering woodsmen on log drives, and many other experiences.

The book became a regular on the reading list for Maine school classrooms, and Rich went on to write a total of 27 books.

Her family split its seasons between the Summer House, a large but poorly-

insulated home perched on the banks of the Rapid River, and the smaller but warmer Winter House, just a few steps away. Rich wrote in great detail about both the endearing and maddening qualities of each.

For example the Summer House, she said in

part, "is big and airy and the walls are too thin for warmth and it sprawls all over the place. I like it because it is on a high bluff over the river, with a view and sun-light and space to spread out in; because it has a huge stone fire-place that will take four-foot

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Woodstock gets fireworks complaints; petitions expected

By ALISON ALOISIO

Woodstock selectmen are expecting two petitions requesting a fireworks ordinance, following recent complaints.

"I've had several phone calls in the last three weeks, and several more

since Monday morning," Town Manager Vern Maxfield told the board Tuesday. "People are very concerned about upgrading our ordinance. There are two petitions circulating — one asking for a ban, one asking for details on

when it would be acceptable to use them."

The town currently allows the use, but not the sale, of fireworks.

Since the state made fireworks legal last year, other area towns, especially Greenwood, have also had

complaints about use.

Many of the complaints in Woodstock center around Lake Christopher.

Selectman Rick Young, who lives on the lake, said someone was shooting off fireworks Monday night.

"They went on for a good 15 minutes," he said.

And on Saturday night, he said, fireworks had started at 10:20 p.m. and went for about 10 minutes. "They were good sized," said Young.

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Autograph quilts on display at Bethel Historical Society

By ALISON ALOISIO

People coming out for Mollyockett Days this weekend will find a quilt exhibit "Full of Memo-

ry and Sentiment" at the Bethel Historical Society, next to the common.

And in August, BHS will offer a special appraisal

program for those interested in learning about the history of quilting and about quilts they may own personally.

The exhibit features 11 local autograph, or "friendship" quilts, which gained popularity in the 1840s.

The quilts displayed

range in age from 28 to 164 years.

As described in the exhibit, "as documents of re-

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GREENWOOD CUTS CORNERS—The Greenwood highway crew was at work last week cutting back one of the short-sightline curves on the Greenwood Road along South Pond. Town Manager and Road Commissioner Kim Sparks said plans are to do the same to two similar curves north of this site, later this summer. The work here and work on the Richardson Hollow Road are in preparation for the eventual repaving of sections of those roads. (Photo: M. Daniels)

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Letters

TIME FOR HEALING

To the Editor:

Robin Zinchuk, Executive Director of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, is a sensitive, caring woman concerned with justice. I salute her. It would appear that she is the first organizer of our local Mollycoddett Days to recognize that this celebration of the native woman Mollycoddett, has actually never had, to my knowledge, the presence of native people in its 55-year history.

One of the many abuses of the indigenous people of Maine, the Wabanaki, has been to make them invisible, relegate them to the outer edges and discount their importance. There is a shocking and tragic history that all we non-native Mainers have inherited and the time has come for healing. That healing begins with knowing the truth.

Amazingly, Maine has just embarked on a Truth and Reconciliation process for the child welfare abuses that have caused such deep distress in all native communities in Maine and throughout the United States and Canada.

Canada began looking at this sad and shocking history in 2009. Perhaps Maine will lead the United States in bringing the truth to light. As many have said, "you can't heal what you don't acknowledge." To learn more please visit: www.mainetribaltrc.org

Arla Patch
Bryant Pond

COLLATERAL DAMAGE

To the Editor:

I admit that I was not aware of how or when Maine law changed to allow the sale of fireworks in our state, but its effect this summer has got my attention. There are the obvious huge issues of increased injuries to people and property, with the resulting strain on first responders and firemen, not to mention the utter annoyance of the late night noise. Granted, that would seem sufficient reason to me to outlaw these things. However, there is another, perhaps not previously considered effect, and that is the terror that our dear family dogs are experiencing night after night. It has been heartbreaking to hear my sweet canine companion whimpering, to watch him trying desperately to find a place to hide, trembling with fear. In desperation, I finally called my veterinarian for a medication to calm him and was told that calls are markedly increased this year for just this reason. Clearly, lots of families are suffering.

Can anything be done to limit days and hours of the week to bring the peace and quiet back to our townspeople and pets? We are already so fortunate to have wonderful and frequent free public firework displays here year-round. This new law may be bringing in state revenue, but what about our quality of life? And what about our animals?

Lee Hughes
Bethel

TAR SANDS MEETING

To the Editor:

What do you know about Tar Sands Bitumen? It's a key question and right now a lot of money from the very biggest oil companies is making sure you only hear favorable and misleading info on it. A number of concerned citizens attended the meeting at Bethel Inn last week (see Bethel Citizen) and were provided with solid facts, including a gob of the dark, smelly tar sand. The pipeline is routed right through West Bethel, close to Pleasant River and the Androscoggin. The presentation was electrifying and is motivating a group of us to present what we know to the community on July 25.

Despite denials from the larger petroleum partners in the project, the pipeline for transporting oil from Portland, Maine to Montreal is being considered for transporting the highly toxic and potentially devastating material at high pressure from Montreal to Portland. They'll do that by reversing the flow direction and increasing line pressure.

It's not as though Americans don't already have experience with this as a basis for concern. Do a search on "Tar Sands Kalamazoo" and read what turns up. A devastating spill in a river there two years ago is still a problem for the community and businesses along the river. Never heard of it? Don't feel too bad, because a major effort is devoted to seeing to it that you don't know all about it. That kind of a spill would be catastrophic to our community now, and well into our foreseeable future.

Our informational gathering will be at Davis Park on July 25. Please stop by say "hi" and we'll be happy to bring you up to speed. Contact me, Seabury Lyon by e-mail: ss-lyon@megalink.net and I'll get back to you.

Seabury Lyon
Bethel

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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BETHEL RESCUE CAR WASH, BOTTLE DRIVE

To the Editor:

Bethel Rescue would like to invite everyone in the community to support our Car Wash and Bottle Drive on Sunday, July 22, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the bus garage in Bethel.

The money that is raised will help our volunteers buy needed uniforms, supplies, and equipment for our service.

We appreciate all of the support that the community has given us in the past and we look forward to seeing all of you on Sunday.

David T. Hanscom
For Bethel Rescue

ARTS FAIR THANKS

To the Editor:

The July 7 weekend brought wonderful arts and cultural events together through a vibrant spirit of collaboration in Bethel. The Mahoosuc Arts Council would like to send thanks and attributions to all those who helped, supported and attended the weekend of arts and culture which included the Arla Patch art opening at Owen Gallery during the Shy, Novice & Closeted Artisans Soiree connected by an art walk on High Street, the 23rd Annual Bethel Art Fair and 8th Shy, Novice & Closeted Art Show, Arla Patch's Gallery talk, the 6th Music Without Borders International piano festival, exhibits at the Bethel Historical Society, the Bethel Merchants Saturday Stroll and children's art show at Elements Art Gallery.

The strength of "collective impact" marketing, promotions and communications increases dramatically when businesses, nonprofits and individuals work in collaboration toward a common goal. In this case, it is a weekend that draws visitors, locals and cultural tourists to our region as a destination to build our culture and economy.

Thank you to the Mahoosuc Arts Council Board of Directors. When "all hands on deck" are called, they jump to action: Chair Tera Ingraham; Vice Chair Helen Davies, Kathy Hodsdon, Melanie Ellsworth, Treasurer Troy Jordan, Linda Stowell and new board members Karen Kutcher and Karen Saito. Thanks to committed council volunteers Chris Davies, Lauren Head and Suzanne Newsom-Pierce. Thanks to our honor figure Arla Patch for her permission to celebrate her artistic impact on the community, for the use of her coil sculpture image for the poster art and exhibit at the Owen Art Gallery. Thanks to Diana Arcadipone for taking on the big task of providing qualified judging of the art show.

Thanks to Gould Academy for supporting art fair operations and the Gould maintenance crew. Thanks to Janet Willie for cross promoting the Art Fair and 8th Shy, Novice & Closeted Art Show.

Thanks to our sponsors who supported artist awards, entertainment and facilities: Norway Savings Bank, the River View Resort, the Good Food Store, Smith and Town Printers, Moore Park Art Show July 28, 2012 and Creative Media.

A huge thanks go to the artists who painted the ARTirondack chairs: Tera Ingraham, Troy Jordan, Lauren Head, Sarah Renee Lane, Mary Harrington, Cailin Kavanaugh, Molly Keane and Sarah Shepley. Thanks to Auctioneer Phil McIntyre of the Skye Theatre and to Reggie Brown for making the chairs. A lot of thanks are owed the businesses that support the cultural economic development our events generate: ARTirondack sponsors the Jolly Drayman, Doug Zinchuk and Sons Roofing, D.A. Wilson, the Good Food Store, Pat's Pizza, Norway Savings Bank and the Riverview Resort. Thanks to the Bethel Post Office for being a display location.

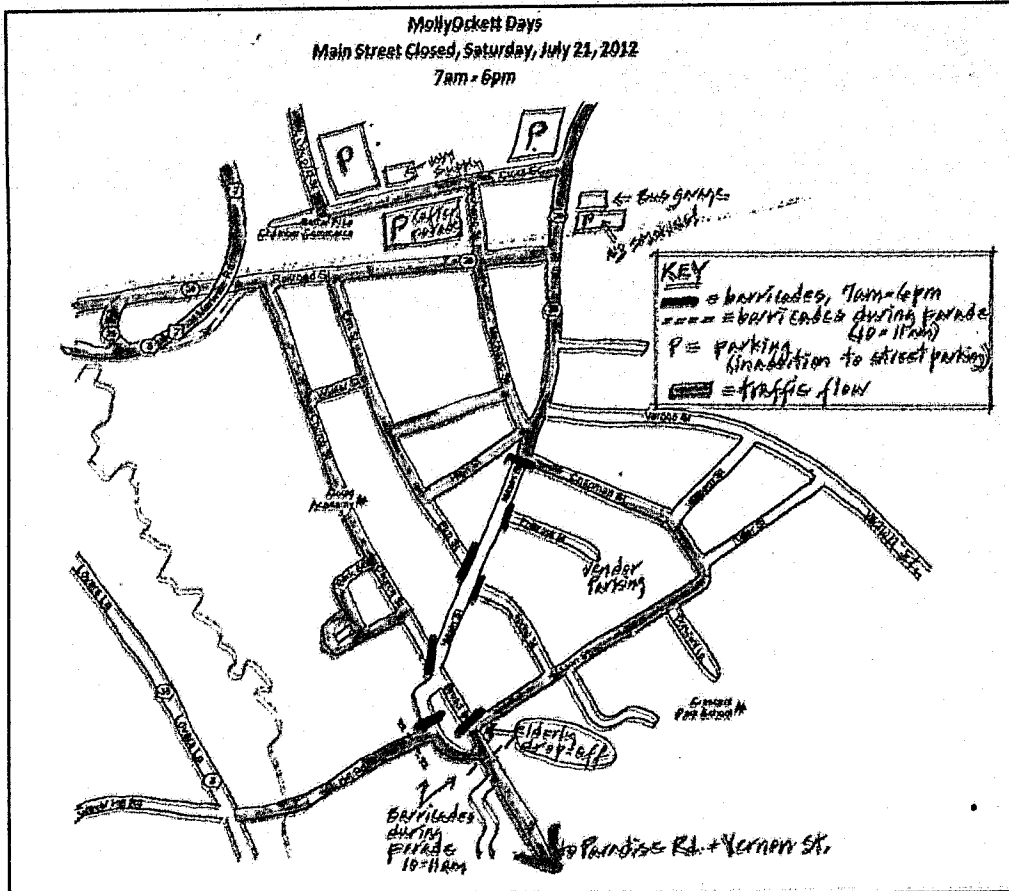
Thanks to entertainers Brad "Squintwood" Hooper, Conni St. Pierre, Abby Goldberg, Amalia Siegel, Shoestring Theater, Nancy and Greg Frangoulis, Riah Newell and Trash Into Art, the Blue Willow Jazz Band and to Fred Garbo for displaying his wonderful inflatable sculptures.

Thanks to Pine Tree Waste, Olson Tents, Bennet Septic and the Town of Bethel for providing all services.

Arts events like this fair are not only important in supporting the arts and making a positive quality of place impact, they are also vital to the local economy by supporting artists and driving visitors to stores, restaurants, inns and other businesses. It is also important to note that exhibitors reported the best sales this year since 2008, which we consider as a significantly positive marker.

Many thanks to all who helped to make the weekend a success!

Aranka Matolcsy
Executive Director, Mahoosuc Arts Council



Celladore

'What do you use for fuel?'

Tending the fire becomes a habit, not an onerous task. Filling the woodbox is fun despite the stories of its being a much-hated task of growing boys who couldn't wait for the next youngest brother to grow into his turn. I choose different varieties depending on cooking plans or weather. Stopping for an armload is good exercise. I stop for a glance out over the blue mountains as I go by the south shed door. One fall morning as I lifted the front cover of the stove to put some wood in, I noticed tiny blackish wisps of smoke creeping out from under the back covers. I had a dim recollection that stoves had to be cleaned, so let the fire die down. I poked about in the shed and found an old tin pan, a straight rod with a piece of iron, playing card size at the end. Back in, I lifted all the stove covers, scraped away the soot, pushed it into the cavity at the end of the stove, whiskbroomed off the tiny particles. Next to clean out under the oven. I lay on the floor, spied the clean-out plate under the outside oven shelf. It took much wiggling and waggling to get this off. Then I reached in with the long rod and scraped out the soot. There was not as much of it as I had expected, though I had reached carefully back into the corners. I rebuilt the fire; still the tiny black wisps of smoke. Something had not been done properly. It was a warm day; I let the fire go out again. Meantime I phoned Dot and Burton for advice.

The solution was simple if I had only thought of the process of heat. Closing the dampers to heat the oven sent the smoke across the top of the stove, down the cavity at the end, under the oven and out the chimney. The clogging was in the cavity I had not touched. There must be another tool in the shed like the rod I had found except with a curved stem. I found it, pushed and poked in the dark cavern, removed the oven shelf and cleaning-out plate and tried again. Out came heaps of black soot and ash, three times as much as I had gotten on my first try. Again I remade the fire; the draft pulled swiftly, no snaky wisps of smoke came from back covers. It had seemed a slow, tedious process but after I had done it a few times it took less than fifteen minutes. B.B. always offered to do it for me, but I was saving his skill for other chores that I couldn't do. He did insist on taking down the stovepipe, carrying it to the woods and cleaning it, but this was done only once a year.

B.B. was always too busy to split any of the kitchen wood. After we exhausted the supply that was here when we came, we found that we could manage very well without any. We always had plenty of kindling wood to put in with the round sticks if a quick fire was needed. But once in late March we "ran out." B.B. bought some green birch slabs from the mill. I put a few in the oven at breakfast time and by ten or eleven o'clock they were dry and ready to be put in the kindling woodbox. I had one little contretemps with this but luckily resolved it before B.B. came home. He had warned me that if I forgot to take the curly barked pieces from the oven, they could get too hot and burst into flame. He even put a sign on the box: Do Not Read a Book When Wood is in the Oven.

One Saturday morning B.B. was away early. I had been substituting at the academy with one hundred and twenty-two students in five American history classes, so had done nothing all week but prepare lessons and correct papers.

Our Back Pages

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Approximately 80 people paddled or hiked in for the official dedication of Moran's Landing at Bear River Rips.

Volunteers were working to remove invasive variable leaf milfoil that was found growing in some areas of Lake Christopher.

Deaths: Priscilla A. Brett, Lillian "Betty" Perkins, Rev. Scott D. Kirtledge.

20 years ago: The State Board of Education gave concept approval to the proposed Crescent Park School addition.

Miss Mollycoddett for 1992 was Wednesday Westleigh. Parade float winners were Key Bank, Maine Line Products, and Bailey's Body Shop.

Death: Florice M. Paul.

30 years ago: Sam Chapman and Band were playing at The Pits on the Grover Hill Road.

Mollycoddett for 1982 was Lee-Ann Coolidge. A mid-afternoon shower dampened the festivities, but did little to cool the temperature or lessen the humidity.

Births: Naomi Joy Young, Sarah Howe Vedella, Patrick John Donovan.

Deaths: Brian Moore, Laura D. Cayer.

40 years ago: The West Parish Congregational Church held a very successful Strawberry Festival.

Bethel's waste treatment facility was under construction just off Route 26 near the C.M.P. Co. substation.

Births: Patrick Jay Feeney, Angela Meredith York, Tracy Twitchell.

Deaths: Percy A. Chapman, Sr., John W. Westleigh, Eldridge C. Steeves, Mrs. Bertha (Nettie) Cole, Mrs. Myrtle R. Hayes.

50 years ago: Seymour Butters and Claus Wiese were elected to interim terms on the Bethel Superintending School Committee.

Thirteen members of Bethel Boy Scout Troop 165 spent a week at Camp Bomazeen, accompanied by Carroll Valentine and Earlon Paine.

Deaths: Woodbury Thayer, Thomas Houtari.

60 years ago: The Shaker Sisters held an all day sale of fancy work and candy at Bethel Inn.

The Couples Club of the Methodist Church enjoyed a picnic supper and social evening at Littlefield's Beach.

Birth: Gregory Irving Cummings.

Deaths: Frank O. Robertson, Onell W. Brown, Fred Bartlett.

70 years ago: Over 600 registered for gasoline, 433 were residents.

At a meeting at the Eastland Hotel, Portland, a Portland Gould Club was formed of Gould graduates living in that area.

Deaths: Alton C. Wheeler.

80 years ago: William Wight was taking a census of out-of-state cars passing through at the foot of Church Street for the Maine Publicity Bureau.

Cannonball Baker broke the record of climbing Mt. Washington by 56 seconds, with a time of 13 minutes, 26 seconds from the Glen House to the summit. He drove a Graham 8.

Deaths: Clarence Alley, Joseph Bernard, Fred Proctor, Burton Hutchinson.

90 years ago: Fred Clark was erecting a house on Elm Street.

Holt's Camps opened at Howard Pond.

Death: Daniel M. Stearns.

100 years ago: The Chapman homestead in Mayville was sold to Mrs. Lithgow.

Excavation was beginning for the new inn near the Common (Bethel Inn).

Deaths: John B. Chapman, Martha D. Wright.

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Signs

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What do we have from Maine DOT standpoint?

The next step would be looking at what the undersirables are. I think the folks at the public forum pretty much stipulated what those undersirables associated with the current sign ordinance are.

"So I think we need to capture those and understand where everybody is coming from, and where we as a committee do to truly address all the issues that are out there with this modification or amendment."

Consultant

But the immediate task for the committee is to review applications for the consultant position and make a recommendation to the selectmen.

The timeframe is tight. Applications are due in the town office by the end of the business day Friday, and committee members are to review them over the weekend and be prepared with a recommendation in time for the selectmen's meeting at 7 p.m. Monday.

After discussion Tuesday, the committee listed the characteristics they would like to see in the consultant, among them: experience, including a history of having worked successfully with MDOT; strong problem solver and facilitator; flexibility; ad-

equate availability and willingness to communicate electronically.

Ordinance "is a breeze."

While the committee focused Tuesday largely on such matters of process in the service of better regulations, Delduca raised a back-to-basics consideration — the effectiveness (or ineffectiveness) of individual signs themselves and the manners in which they are used.

"I spent 12 years in the sign industry, in and out of sign shops every day, he told his fellow committee members. "I was a sign supplier — I supplied sign makers with supplies, so I saw every kind of sign you can imagine, I saw the applications they were used for. I have a bit of an understanding of signs ... about how they work, how they're sold and how people have used them in the past."

"And as far as sign codes and ordinances and requirements to use signs, this sign code is a breeze," Delduca cited as an example of ineffective signage letters that are too small to be easily read at speed and distance.

LeGault replied: "When we define the language we are going to amend into the sign ordinance, we will have an opportunity to discuss all those specifics."

Arrests made in heroin delivery headed for Bethel

Sun Media Group

A couple on their way to deliver a "sizable quantity" of heroin to a customer in Bethel were arrested last Wednesday in a traffic stop in Bethel.

Authorities said last week they've racked a heroin ring that delivered up to 4,700 bags of heroin per week to the River Valley.

More than 450 doses were seized in drug operations in Bethel on Wednesday and in Rumford on Monday, said Tony Milligan, deputy supervisor and special agent of the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency.

"In my 16 years at Rumford PD, we've intermittently come across heroin in drug investigations we've done, but not anywhere near in this quantity," Rumford police Capt. Daniel Garbarini said.

The estimated street value of the seized heroin was about \$12,000, Milligan said last Thursday.

"With what was seized, multiply that by five or 10 times and that's what our investigation is telling us is coming into the River Valley area on a weekly basis," Milligan said.

Three people were arrested in the six-month investigation, more arrests are expected as it continues, he said.

Arrested on felony drug charges were Sarah L. Bosworth, 29, and her boyfriend, Corey Lerice Edingborough, 30, both of 125 Main Street, third-floor apartment in Mexico, and Daniel Wayne Richard, 26, of 154 Essex Avenue in Rumford.

Bosworth and Edingborough are charged with aggravated heroin trafficking. They will be arraigned Friday in Oxford County Superior Court in Paris.

Richard, who was charged with two counts of aggravated oxycodone trafficking, both within a school or safe zone, and unlawful trafficking in heroin in Rumford, was released on \$20,000 cash bail Wednesday at his arraignment, Milligan said.

He said Bosworth and Edingborough were caught

early Wednesday evening during a simultaneous stop-and-search of their car in Bethel and their apartment in Mexico.

The authorities had learned that Bosworth and Edingborough were planning to deliver a "sizable quantity" of heroin to a customer in Bethel, he said.

Bosworth, he said, was driving a 2003 Subaru Legacy station wagon, with Edingborough and their seven-month-old son as passengers.

Drug enforcement agents armed with a stop-and-search warrant found and seized 50 bags of heroin, Milligan said.

At their apartment, MDEA agents and Rumford and Mexico police used a battering ram to enter with a no-knock search warrant, fearing officer safety, he said.

They found and seized 340 bags of heroin, a small quantity of packaged marijuana, \$500 in suspected drug proceeds and other related evidence, he said.

Milligan said the couple's child was taken into protective custody and through the Maine Department of Health and Human Services' Child Protection Service, was placed in emergency care with relatives.

The previous Monday, a search warrant was served at the home of Daniel Wayne Richard, 26, in the second-floor apartment at 156 Essex Avenue in Rumford, Milligan said.

Police seized 80 bags of heroin, two bags of marijuana, digital drug scales and other related evidence, he said.

"When Rumford police and the MDEA heard there was heroin in the River Valley area, we made a commitment to bring resources into the region and focus intensely on that (heroin ring) to shut it down as quickly as possible," Milligan said.

Milligan said the heroin is coming into the River Valley from outside Maine, but he declined to indicate a location or to reveal more about the investigation.

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Rich

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logs and really heat the living-room in the wettest, coldest September rain storm; because there is a wide porch over the river ...

For more than 50 years, Aldro French has owned the Rich property, known collectively as Forest Lodge. He restored the two houses from the run-down condition in which he bought them, and they are now listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

French has operated the property for many years as a fly-fishing lodge.

He recently put the Summer House on the market, and is asking \$1.3 million for the historic home.

The house is still furnished with many things that belonged to the Riches, among them Louise's typewriter and roll-top desk, an old crank telephone, a piano, a cook-stove, pots and pans and family photos.

Although that house is for sale, French is also pursuing his dream of preserving the Winter House as a museum dedicated to Louise Dickinson Rich.

Like the summer home, the Winter House also contains many original items from the Riches' days there, including a wood stove, a brass bed and a wall papered by Louise with covers from the Saturday Evening Post.

The house is currently under lease to the Friends of Forest Lodge nonprofit group, to provide a means, at least in the short term, to keep it intact.

"But we need a better structure for the long-term, in conjunction with the Friends," French said Saturday. "I hope we can preserve it for mankind long after I'm gone."

He has built his own "retirement home" — a small but cozy cabin within sight of the Winter House, and plans to remain near the river he loves.

Steve Wight of Newry, president of the FFL, described the organization's hope for the Winter House:

"Currently we are working with Don Palmer and the Rangeley Historical Society to create a display of [Rich's] life in the wonderful Oquossoc Sporting Heritage Museum that Don and his wife Stephanie opened last August, on the corner of Routes 17 and 4 in Oquossoc.

"Phase II will be to re-store the Winter House and use it as an on-site museum with quarters for a curator/interpreter during the summer. The idea is that Don will work with the Friends of Forest Lodge to supply groups and individuals with information on ways of reaching the river.

"It is also my hope that we will work with Lake-wood Camps to include tours of the museum in their guest offerings." (Lakewood Camps are located about two miles from Forest Lodge, next to Middle Dam on Lower Richardson Lake.)

Volunteers from the Upton Historical Society have been working recently to help spruce up the Winter House.

Wight said that while the summer home might be more ideal as a museum, he hopes many of the key belongings will be saved for display in the Winter House or the Rangeley museum.

For more on the FFL preservation effort, contact Wight at 890-8356 or swight@wightnet.com.

(Next week: Upton native Avery Angevine remembers Rapid River and the Riches.)



The living room and hearth at the Forest Lodge Summer House. More photos, Page 12. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Fireworks

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"Before 9 p.m. it's not too bad," he continued. "But after 9:30 it gets a little annoying, and when your dogs try to crawl up into your lap, night after night, sitting there panting, that's enough."

"We've always had fireworks on the pond, but not to this extent."

"And what I see now is all the paper debris in the lake."

"I picked up a whole bunch of stuff Sunday morning."

Jennifer Chase, who lives on the Dudley Road, said that after one round of fireworks there was a strong sulfur smell even at her house.

She also said the subject of fireworks had been discussed at this past week-end's annual meeting of the Lakes Association.

"The meeting was a lot about that," she said.

Mil rate drops

In other business, the board set the new mil rate at 11.45 mills, down 1.40 since last year.

"The decline is due to a \$40 million increase in town valuation, thanks largely to the Spruce Mountain Wind farm."

"It's the third lowest mil rate since 1989," said Maxfield.

With the new rate, \$45,000 will be available for overlay in case of tax abatements.

"Tax bills are expected to go out next week."

Road bids

Selectmen awarded bids for winter sand/salt for the coming season, choosing Hadley of West Paris at a price of \$14,375, over R.A. Tibbetts of Wilton at a price of \$14,250. Hadley provided salt and sand last year.

The board received updates on several topics, including concerns from summer residents about noise from the wind towers, and an expected proposal to the Planning Board from the 4H camp to build a barn and parking lot on land recently purchased from Ken McInnis.

Quilts

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membrance, these 'scraps of calico' emerged from an earlier 19th century practice in New England of keeping bound albums, where women collected favorite quotations, expressions of love and concern, and — most importantly — the signatures of close friends and relatives.

"Typically, patchwork blocks of similar size and design were signed by friends and relatives of the quilt's recipient. At other times, as demonstrated by several quilts in this short-term exhibition, these 'precious reliquaries' were assembled as neighborhood or church fundraisers, with contributors' names recorded by someone with handwriting skill and a steady hand."

Among the quilts on display are an 1848 quilt made by the ladies of the West Bethel Church; a quilt by Esther Smith Searle of Newry, made between 1875 and 1885, containing the names of men and women from Newry, Hanover, Grafton and North Bethel; and a quilt from the Sunday River Valley, ca. 1890.

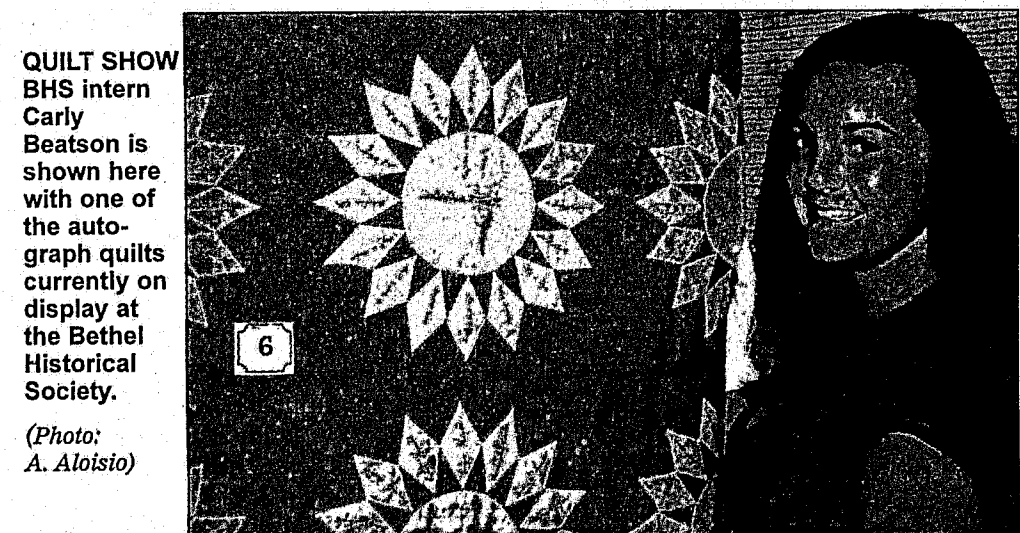
The display represents about 20 percent of the 50 quilts owned by BHS.

The exhibit will run through Oct. 5. Go to

www.bethelhistorical.org for more information.

August program

The Aug. 16 program, entitled "100 Years of American Quilts," will feature quilt appraiser Bonnie Dwyer of Manchester. Certified as an appraiser by the American Quilter's Society, she will review quilting trends in the U.S., with examples of 19th- to mid-20th-Century quilts. Dwyer will bring quilts from her own collection, but she encourages participants to bring their own for discussion. Before and after the program Dwyer will conduct appraisals by appointment.



The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Hot enough for ya? That's a question I think most of us have heard a little too often in the last week.

I know the question is meant to be tongue in cheek, but when consistent 90+ degree days with high humidity leaves you covered in sweat, ringlets in your hair, clothes sticking in every crack and crevice, and dish rag limpness, it's definitely hot enough for ya.

Just for the record I'm quite fond of 80 degrees with low humidity. The 70's are very nice too, but a little cool for those who like to swim. At 80 degrees it's comfortable enough for both indoor and outdoor activities.

I used to be a pretty good swimmer and I used to look pretty good in a bathing suit; oh those were the days. Unfortunately those days are long gone and I fear that if I went swimming without some skilled EMT's nearby it would be a bit dangerous for me and perhaps anyone around me.

And since I would not wear a bathing suit if there were any people within a mile of me I just don't go swimming no matter how refreshing it may be.

However, the sizzling temperatures have had me thinking back to the days of my youth when I spent more summer days in the water than out. As a teenager spending long days at the lake with my friends was just the greatest summer pastime.

There was, of course, the swimming, but more importantly, there were the boys. What better way to spend a hot summer day as a teenage girl than being pushed off the dock by a boy you have a crush on?

I can't say that thinking about being pushed off the dock by a cute boy helped to cool me down any, but it did bring back some cool memories.

I try to find cooling alternatives to pass the hot days.

Another cool memory that the heat melted out of my brain was the wading pool I had as a little girl. After spending a considerable amount of time and lung power blowing up the pool my father would fill it with the garden hose, which seemed to take forever, but once it reached about 3" I was so there!

So was just about every toy I owned leaving almost no room for me. I even had one of those inflatable tubes that went around my waist and looked like a seahorse. I certainly didn't need it in 3" of water, but I always had it anyway.

Now I'm a bit too big for a wading pool, my waist is all waste and no seahorse will fit around it and I don't swim anymore, so I'll just suffer the heat as long as we have it. I try to remind myself that it wasn't all that long ago that there was snow on the ground and it won't be all that long before there is snow on the ground again.

I can't say that those reminders cool me down any, but they keep my whining to a minimum.

I try to find cooling alternatives to pass the hot days. I go to the supermarket a little more often and take a great deal of time to decide what ice cream or variety of frozen peas to buy.

When I can't make it to the supermarket I spend a lot of time standing in front of one of the many fans that are constantly humming throughout my house.

One recent day when it was in the mid 90's with very high humidity I even went so far as to put my underwear in the freezer before putting it on. It was a shocking experience to discover that the benefits of putting on an ice cold bra are very limited.

Compared to some other parts of the country we are not really having it that bad. That's a comforting thought. Cooler days are ahead and we'll all think about how nice summer in Maine can be until the next stretch of hot humid days hits again.

I'll truly enjoy the mild days when we have them and on the really hot days I'll remind myself that winter will be upon us before we know it. I much prefer the hum of my fans than the hum of my furnace.

I'll beat the heat whatever way I can and the way I see it the one thing I've learned in the past week of heat is that I will never ever put my bra in the freezer again!

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7:00 S.F. Jones
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FRIDAY JULY 20th
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Senior Citizen \$3 entrance fee

6:00 AM Food Booth Open
6:00 Gates Open
9:30 Flag Raising Ceremony
10:00 All Exhibits, Bams, Buildings Open
10:4 Teddy Bear Contest (Expo 1)
10:4 Conservation & Agriculture Day (NEW)
10:4 Animal Powered Demos
11:3 Chocolate Chip Cookie Entries (Expo 1)
11:30 Senior Citizens Luncheon (Dance Hall)
Includes Health Fair, Car Drawing, Music
1:00 Band Plays (Dance Hall)
1:00 Steer Demos (Pulling Ring)
1:00 Farmer's Draft Horse Pull, Weigh In
3:00 JR Woodsmen's Demo (Show Ring)
4:30 Whoopie Pie Entries (Expo 1)
5:00 Teen Man Contest (Show Ring)
5:00 Pig Scramble 5 & 6 yr olds (Pulling Ring)
5:30 Bike Giveaway Drawing
5:30 Pig Roast at the Food Booth
5:30 Whoopie Pie Judging (Expo 1)
5:30 TRAILER TRASH (NSB Stage)
6:00 Fireman's Muster

FRIDAY JULY 20th
6:00 Wee Man Contest (Show Ring)
7:00 Ho Man Contest (Show Ring)
7:00 SWAMP DORKYS (NSB Stage)
8:30 JORDAN KAULBACK (NSB Stage)

SATURDAY JULY 21st
6:00 AM Food Booth Open
8:00 Gates Open
10:00 All Exhibits, Bams, Buildings Open
9:10-30 Apple Pie Entries (Expo 1)
9:10-30 Blueberry Pie Entries (Expo 1)
9:30-1 Teddy Bear Contest (Expo 1)
9:30 Flag Raising Ceremony
9:30 Horse Shoes - Singles
10:00 4-H Working Steer Showmanship (Pulling Ring)
10:00 Draft Horse Show (Show Ring)
11:30 4-H Steer Triple Challenge (Pulling Ring)
11:00 Apple Pie Judging (Expo 1)
11:00 Baby Show Sign Up (Expo II)
11:00 Antique Tractor Pull (NEW Ring)
11:1 The Chocolate Contest entries (Expo 1)
11:15 Blueberry Pie Judging (Expo 1)
12:00 Baby Show (Norway Savings Bank Stage)
12:00 Farmer's Pulling Steer & Ox Weigh In
1:00 Draft Horse Log Hauling Event (Show Ring)
1:30 The Chocolate Contest Judging (Expo 1)
1:30 Kidde Pile Tractor Contest (Kids Tent)
2:00 Cookie Stacking Contest (Kids Tent)
2:00 Farmer's Steer & Ox Pull (Pulling Ring)
4:00 TERRY SWIFT & MILLTOWN ROADSHOW (NSB Stage)
5:00 Pig Scramble 7 & 8 yr olds (Pulling Ring)
5:30 Bike Giveaway Drawing
5:30 BLACK CAT ROAD (NSB Stage)

SATURDAY JULY 21st
6:00 ATV Pulls (NEW Ring)
7:00 S.F. JONES (NSB Stage)
8:30 ROLLINS, TYNE AND HOBSON (NSB Stage)

SUNDAY JULY 22nd
6:00 Steer & Ox Weigh In
8:00 AM Food Booth Open
8:00 Gates Open
9:30 Flag Raising Ceremony
N Waterford Church Service (NSB Stage)
With Gospel Music
9:00 Steer & Ox Log Sock (Pulling Ring)
9:30 Horse Shoes - Doubles
10:00 All Exhibits, Bams, Buildings Open
10:00 Animal Powered Demos
10:00 ATV Pulls (New Ring)
10:00-1PM Natural Horsemanship Clinic
with Mary McCare Footloose Farm (Show Ring)
10:30 HEATHER PIERSON (NSB Stage)
12:00 AL HAWKINS & HIS AMERICANA TRIO (NSB Stage)
12:30 Steer & Ox Show (Pulling Ring) follow scout
1:30 Kidde Pile Tractor Pull (Kids Tent)
1:30 JIM GALLANT (NSB Stage)
2:00 Ladies Skillet Throw (Show Ring)
3:00 Backseat Driver Contest - (Show Ring)
3:00 TBA (NSB Stage)
4:00 Pig Scramble 9 & 10 yr olds (Pulling Ring)
4:30 Bike Giveaway Drawing
4:30 THE HEMINGWAY BROTHERS (NSB Stage)

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Bethel

By DON BENNETT



Remembering Mike Lynch

Hugh F. "Mike" Lynch was the ultimate "Quiet American." He loved golf, skiing, designing and building new homes and Sunday River. I remember him best for his dry sense of humor, the "V" on his Maine license plate and his meticulous records keeping. Other memories are about our conferences over his computer program having to do with the annual billing of the Viking Village Association members for their annual dues.

In 1964/65, Mike Lynch became the third person to buy a lot in what was named the Viking Village subdivision in the Sunday River Skiway property.

Mike called his initial connection with Sunday River sort of an accident. In the early 1960's Mike was a Sugarloaf skier who lived in Portland. On ski weekends he would meet five others at the A&P parking lot on Forest Av-

enue very early in the morning. From the parking lot they would head for Sugarloaf. After a number of trips, Mike said that he was getting a little tired of the long trips. He started investigating the possibility of buying a lot in the Sugarloaf vicinity. He soon discovered that buying a lot was almost impossible because only lease arrangements were available.

In the meantime Sunday River Skiway had gotten going and had added a chair lift to its skiing facilities. Mike made a few ski trip visits to Sunday River with another friend. They found that at that time, around 1963, Sunday River's ski trails did not hold the same challenge as Sugarloaf's but it was much closer to Portland and lots were available to purchase in the new Viking Village.

Mike said one weekend while he was at Sunday River skiing he walked out of the base lodge to the Sunri Ski Shop about 50 yards away and talked to shop owner Paul Kailey. Mike said he sounded out Kailey about buying property here and was told that, "Sure you can do that - just beyond the parking

lot there are plenty of lots for sale." Soon Mike connected with Norm Greig who was the real estate agent for the Viking lots at that time and a sale was closed. For a quarter acre lot in the mid 1960's Mike paid \$650; in 2005 the town of Newry revalued all real estate in the town and this one quarter acre lot was valued at \$118,700.

Next summer, Mike began what would be the third house built in the village. He built a floor platform and pitched a tent over it for his weekend accommodations while he worked on the excavation, clearing and foundation. He said one weekend after driving from Portland he turned the corner to the road to his lot and found the road blocked in front of his tent house with a large stack of concrete blocks. During the week, unknown to him, a semi had delivered his blocks. He spent all weekend lugging the blocks to his foundation site.

In the fall before his house was closed in he rented a bunk in the bunk room at the Sunday River Inn. At that time, Ed and Julie Daye owned the inn which Ed had built after the Skiway opened. (Ed was still in 2005 doing finished cabinet and carpenter work for Mike's then second home in Viking Village.)

In the early years of Sunday River Skiway, a number of interested observers considered the corporation's financial picture somewhere between shaky or desperate. In exchange for buying 100 shares of Sunday River stock, he got a lifetime skiing pass, which he says turned out to be a very good investment. He recalls that the next year someone was almost going door to door pushing 20-year ski passes that were transferable.

In the late 1970's Mike retired from his job in Portland. He moved to his house in Viking Village, became a dedicated golfer, played often at the Bethel Inn's golf course, and decorated his front lawn with the village's only golf pin and flag.

As Viking Village grew, the Skiway officials found dealing with all the owners as individuals somewhat difficult and time consuming so a village homeowners association was formed. Mike thinks that this association was a benefit to all. Water supply was one of the main problems that came up as the ski area built condos and created many new water users. At first village water came from a well drilled at a site above the elevation of the village. The village water system consisted of a gravity feed system that

used pipes of increasingly smaller diameter. At the top of the village there was inch and one half pipe and at the bottom elevation it was only three quarters inch. Mike said that he had good water pressure but as more users connected to the well in the same aquifer and more wells for the condos were added, supply and pressure dropped to that point that a new well was demanded. The new well was drilled at a site and elevation lower than the village. It had plenty of water, more than the first well, but the pipe system had to be replaced due to the flow restrictions resulting from the original layout.

As Mike got deeper into Village affairs he bought a computer to keep up with bookkeeping and to enjoy playing computer golf games. In the 1990's he worked on Newry's 911 road naming project for the town. Mike eventually left Viking Village for his new home on the Sunday River road above Artist Bridge where he had a beautiful view of the interval. My last visit with Mike was just three years ago when again he had questions about his prep for billing Viking Village association members.

Western Maine Gem, Mineral and Jewelry Show

The weekend mineral and gem show at Telstar as usual drew a large number of exhibitors from as far away as Florida, Virginia and Pennsylvania. This was the 51st annual show for the association. Oxford County's importance within the world of gemologists and mineral collectors is demonstrated by its ability to attract exhibitors. Ace reporters Kathy Bennett and grandson Ashton Samala covered the event on Sunday each with a camera to record what amounts to a largely visual event. Kathy left the show pleased with a necklace she found that suited her exactly.

Ashton said that the minerals that interested him were those with stone animals on them along with the mineral animal shape and fossils of sea creatures.

There were a number of gem exhibits displaying how minerals and gems are formed within rock

formations as well as some displays of fossilized creatures embedded in rock. The educational value for family visits to the show speaks for itself.

Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association has a very attractive Web site with details of this year's show easy to find.

The site address is <http://www.oxfordcountymineralandgemassociation.blogspot.com/>. Randy Withee from Nobles Corner was again this year's show chairman. Among the association officers, Eleanor Davis is the Librarian.

Bethel's newest attraction, the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum was represented at the show with an architect's illustration of what the finished museum will look like and a fact sheet which covered the following: expected staffing will be six full and part-time employees plus seasonal interns. Museum offices are currently at Mt. Mann Jeweler's at 57 Main Street with two phone numbers 824-3036 and 824-3030. Jim Reuter of Smith Reuter Lull Architects is the building designer and the Paulus Design Group of Bath, Maine, and Washington, DC, is designing the exhibitions. General contractor for construction was not named.

Photos of show exhibits are at www.thebethelcitizen.com/News/Bethel071612.htm

Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



A local hiking spot and business get special mention in the July Down East magazine's "Best of Maine" issue. Maggie's Nature Park in Greenwood is rated as one of Maine's top ten "Unsung Hikes." Carey Michael Kish, editor of the Appalachian Mountain Club's Maine Mountain Guide reports that "Maggie's Nature Park has six color-coded trails

on eighty-six acres and they're all great little hikes." Maine Line Products, which has stores in Bethel and Greenwood, is noted for one of the "Four Kitschy Souvenirs" found in Maine: the Maine Woodsman's Weather Stick. Pat's Pizza (which has several locations including Bethel) won the award for Best Pizza in the third annual Down East Readers' Choice Awards. You can borrow a copy of Down East from the Bethel Library or buy a copy locally at the Bethel Foodliner.

On July 7, 2012, Jonathan and Jennifer Head graciously hosted the annual reunion/picnic for the descendants of George and Harriett Swift Stowell in West Bethel. Nine of their twelve children were in attendance: George and Mary Luxton Stowell, Falmouth; their children, Rachel Stowell and Bernard Webster, Atlanta, Ga.; Sandra Stowell and Jon Harris; Kailey Harris, Portland; David Stowell's children, Macy and Nathan Stowell; Suzanne Stowell Bartlett, South Paris; Michael and Andrea Jean Stowell, Flagler Beach, Fla.; Suzanne Stowell Zooleck, Weymouth, Mass.; Michael Stowell, Jr., Harper's Ferry, WVa.; Sara Stowell Carson, Palm Coast, Fla.; Jon and Jenn Head, Julia Head, Joshua Head and many of his high school friends from this area; Jeremy Head and Crystelle Head, Bethel; Peter's daughter, Rhonda Stowell, Phoenix, Ariz.; Billy Stowell's children, Jennifer Stowell and husband Lee Norris, Rumford, and Ryan Stowell, Woburn, Mass.; Jonathan and Renie Gilbert Stowell, Shirley, Mass.; Melanie Stowell and husband Paul Vermette, N.H.; Nathan Stowell and Caryn Conway, Leonminster, Mass.; and sons Wyatt Stowell and Alex Conway; Martha Stowell White, Norway; Michelle Bennett Sprague, Rumford Center; Tia Sprague and Ayva, Rumford; Andrew and Marlene Stowell, Ran-

OCSD Bethel Patrol Log

Wednesday, July 11

At 5:18 p.m. a caller on the East Bethel Road reported harassing text messages. Sgt. Matt Baker was assigned.

At 6:45 p.m. on Route 2 Deputy George Cayer assisted the Rumford P.D. and MDEA on an investigation.

At 9:56 p.m. a caller on the Intervale Road reported subjects using fireworks across from their house. The caller asked that an officer make sure the subjects knew they are not allowed to use them after 10 p.m.

Thursday, July 12

At 4:48 p.m. a caller on English Woods Drive reported a recent break-in. Sgt. Matt Baker was assigned.

Friday, July 13

At 12:58 p.m. a caller on Main Street reported an accident in a parking lot, with possible injury. Deputy Dani Welch responded.

At 1:17 p.m. a caller on Railroad Street reported a subject riding around town and harassing people with gestures and hollering. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned.

Saturday, July 14

At 6:53 a.m. a report was received of a vehicle broken down in the traffic lane at the intersection of Route 2 and Martin's Lane. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

At 1:08 p.m. Deputy George Cayer stopped two motorcycles for excessive speed on Route 2.

Saturday, July 15

At 12:38 a.m. on the Sunday River Road Cpl. Brian Landis arrested Natalie Pike, 43, of Norway for disorderly conduct, refusing to submit to arrest, obstructing a public way, and assault.

At 2:39 a.m. a caller on Jonathan Clark Lane reported a vehicle being keyed. Cpl. Chancey Libby was assigned.

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cho Cucamonga, Calif.; Jason Stowell and Corissa Giglio, Bangor; Brian and Linda Stowell, Bryant Pond; Rachel Stowell and husband Tim Adams, Fayette; Benjamin, Joshua and Zack Adams; and Rebecca Stowell Lloyd, Rumford.

Also attending were Sheila Gilbert Head, Bob and Jane Head Rottari, New Gloucester, who are not direct descendants, but dear friends of the family. Others came by to say hello to the Stowell clan. The evening culminated with many going to Mike and Jean's house on Mill Hill to enjoy the fireworks.

Mollycoddett Days are this weekend, July 21-22. New this year is the closing of downtown streets on Saturday to make way for vendors' booths, which will be set up in the streets, as well as on the Common. A complete schedule of events is available elsewhere in the Citizen, as well as on line at www.bethelchamber.com.

The Bethel United Methodist Church on Main Street will be open all day Saturday as "a cooling center" and will have cold water, a cookie walk, and crafts for sale. The church will also provide water and dog biscuits for dogs attending the Saturday events. The sanctuary will be open for meditation and prayer.

The Bethel Library will hold its annual used book sale this Saturday during the Mollycoddett Days from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The sale is held under the tent on the library's lawn, across from the Common.

Bethel Dog Park supporters will meet tonight, July 19, at 6 p.m. at the Mahoosuc Land Trust building on Route 2, next door to the Crossroads Diner. Everyone interested in a local dog park is welcome. If you have news you'd like to share, call me at

824-2483 or e-mail nancybrown1150@yahoo.com.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



It seems Mother Nature likes to treat us with "too much of a good thing,"

giving us either too much rain or oppressive heat. Guess we are tough and can take it, huh? Bettyann Hastings was happy to tell me that her daughter Ellen Franklin and John and Summer were here for a visit from Texas. Last Sunday all the brothers and sisters, along with spouses, nieces and nephews, climbed Old Speck Mountain to the pond. All had a great time. John and Summer also visited some friends in Wolfborough, N.H. Now they are all back in Texas in 98-degree weather.

I heard through the grapevine that the Black Flies have a special fan who attends every single game. His name is Mr. Wilson from East Bethel. Wonder how many of you know who he is? It will be interesting to hear. So, call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net.

Monday, the 16th, we and some friends celebrated my son's birthday with a nice dinner and cake. It was just as hot outside as on the day he was born.

Now on to the new Trivia: "When and for how much was the old town house on the parish line in Middle Intervale sold?"

As a reminder or in case you haven't heard yet, Main Street will be closed to traffic from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. this Saturday.

Due to popular demand, Marcia and I decided to have the INNside Shop open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at least for the sum-

mer months.

Wishing everyone a great week.

Andover

By JANE RICH



The Andover Historical Society announces the 61st annual flower show to take place Aug. 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Entries will be received between 5:30-8 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 3. The theme is Earth Station with the following categories: Arrangement of your choice entitled Andover Earth Station, using a metal container and named The Big Telescope, an arrangement with wild flowers entitled The Control Room. The Telstar-50th Anniversary category will require flowers in a golden color. The Bubble will be represented by a floral design using white flowers in a white container. If you would like to remember someone special then a Song Title of the '60's is the category to enter. The ever popular mug or cup and saucer will represent the Hospitality Building that was on the site. Children 12 years and younger may enter a dish garden. As is the custom, single specimens may be displayed in the bottles provided by the society. Houseplants must be at least six months old.

The Andover Photography Contest will be exhibited on Aug. 4 in the Town Hall. Photographs are placed into two groups, children 17 and under and adults 18 and older. There are five categories: portrait, landscape, animal, photostop, and black and white. There will be 147 ribbons awarded. Photos can be submitted at the town hall on the following dates: July 27 from 5 to 7 p.m.; Sunday, July 29, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Monday, July 30, from 5 to 7 p.m. The last submission will be on Wednesday, Aug. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. Questions or to drop off photos call Kelly or Ray at 369-0559.

The Andover Educational Fund Board of Directors met on Sunday evening.

The main agenda item was the review of their financial status and setting the amount to award each student who has applied for the Charles Cutting Endowment this year. To receive the full amount a student must have been a resident of Andover for all four of their high school years. Like many funds the Cutting Endowment has been adversely affected by the major economic downturn of the last few years and so it was necessary to reduce the per student out pay this year to \$2,000 per student, which is still a sizable help to our young people pursuing higher education. Because of the lack of adequate funds, it was voted to suspend the funding of adults seeking higher education until such time as the fund is in a more secure position.

A hiking group has been formed and has had several trips to various locations in the last few weeks, which included last week's trip to the Devil's Den where several children and adults enjoyed the ride down Black Brook and swimming. Today the group will be taking a trip to Angel Falls and will meet at the First Congregational Church parking lot at 10:30 a.m. to form a caravan. All are invited to attend. Please remember woods essentials bug spray, good hiking shoes and sensible clothing. Following the hike there will be a swimming party at a place yet to be determined.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



The really hot weather returned over this past weekend. We tried to get any outside work done early in the morning. There was shopping on Saturday, which is always a treat, and Sunday we spent a good part of the day under the shade of the maple tree on the GHS lawn in front of the Railroad Station and Schoolhouse.

My brother, Steve McLain, told me that he had found Japanese Beetles by his garden. I had mentioned to him that we have found quite a few on some of our garden plants. They seem to like my hanging geraniums. So far, they have stayed off the tomato and cucumber plants.

Speaking of cucumbers, I have started making my old-fashioned sour pickles. I mixed up the brine and just keep adding the cucumbers as I pick them.

Steve and Lise McLain went to Bethel to check out the Mineral Show sponsored by the Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association.

I work with Lois Ruff at Adult Education and she just sent me a message that she won a door prize at the Mineral Show.

Gilead Historical Society The brick work for the chimney is finished! Lance Stickney, Andover Masonry, did a great job on the chimney and Barry Carver, Carver's Woodworking, is finishing it off. Barry is doing the carpentry work to trim around the chimney outside on the roof. Things are coming together. Barry just finished up the carpentry work on the schoolhouse. There is a lot more to do, but at this point, we have to step back, check our finances and maybe apply for more grants.

Robert Cross from Central Maine Power was busy the other day hooking up the electricity to the buildings. Autumn Electric will be returning to finish up running the wires and then we will have electricity! Of course, this means a monthly light bill.

As I mentioned earlier, Hugh and I spent most of Sunday sitting under the tree on the GHS lawn. We set up a cooler filled with cold bottled water. We are planning on doing this on as many Sundays as we can this summer. When we have been on the corner working, people riding bikes or heading for the river with canoes have stopped looking for water. The cost of the water is a donation to the GHS and a very short explanation of what we are doing. One of the reasons for doing this is to have people, either local or people passing

by, stop and visit and see what the GHS has been doing to the buildings. Any donations received will go directly into the building fund. So if you see us relaxing in the shade on the corner with a cold bottle of water, stop by and say "Hello." We promise not to pressure you into making a donation for a nice cold bottle of water to drink on a hot day!

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



The tour of Forest Lodge and the Winter House was a success. I believe everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves in spite of the overly warm temperatures. It was the first visit for many of the participants, but some of them knew the area very well, and at least one of them knew Louise Dickinson Rich. We did have a slight glitch.

The person driving the pickup that had the food in it missed a turn or two and wandered around on some wrong roads until he backtracked a bit to get back to Route 16 and then came in via Fish Pond Road. He was familiar with that route, but not the Middle Dam Road route which is shorter. I think that the glitch was due to a combination of poor directions and a poor sense of direction. The truth is, I did give him somewhat incomplete directions and he did well to find the gate.

The lunch provided by the Ladies Aid lived up to their great standards and the desserts were too good. The Winter House, scrubbed and painted probably has never looked better. Thank you to everyone involved. With a special thanks to Aldro, Marie, J.P. and the Ladies of the Ladies Aid Association.

On July 4 William D. Stratton, Col. U.S. Army, and Mira Lasovic both of Sidney, Ohio, were married in the Upton Union Church. Pastor Jane Rich of the Andover Congregational Church officiated. There were readings

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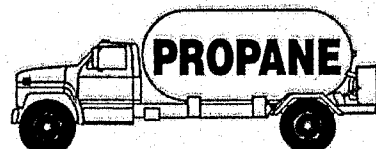
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ings by the groom's children, Charlie and Carolyn Stratton and Cristine Valenti. The witnesses were the groom's parents, Clyde and Barbara Stratton. After the wedding, a champagne reception was hosted by the groom's parents in the Upton Ladies Aid building. The newlyweds plan to reside in Sidney, Ohio. Col. Stratton has recently returned from his third tour of duty in the Afghanistan region.

Bob and Laurie Brown had an uninvited, unwelcome visitor for a day and a night last week. A young bear discovered their trash box and made a huge mess. Laurie told the bear that Penny and I had much better trash, and apparently he heard and listened. Saturday night, he found our trash box and used the contents to redecorate our lawn. The box is about 30 feet from our door. Penny, Willie, the wonder-watcher, and I slept through it all.

Call 533-2010 or e-mail jbackstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



A vehicle towing a trailer pulled into the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library loaded with many boxes full of books. The books came from the personal library of Rumford Attorney Richard Whiting and were donated to the library in his memory. Attorney Whiting resided at Rumford Center and also had property at Howard Pond.

The Rumford Grange 115 senior citizens' free dinner on July 8 was a great success. The officials of Rumford Grange wanted to do something to show appreciation to senior citizens for their years of attending Grange events. The senior citizens ate for free but other folks provided enough income to cover the cost of the meal.

A very old dog named Honey lay out in hot sun in the yard. Watching from the forest edge was a little brown rabbit. Carefully the rabbit crept around the yard passing near the old dog. All of a sudden rabbit scurried back to the shelter of the forest and the old dog never acknowledged its presence.

I don't care if he is in love or marking his territory or what but I am tired of early morning wake ups from that crazy woodpecker tapping on my steel roof.

Irv and Barbara Robinson had their third bear encounter last week involving their honeybees. They have pictures of the bear running away amidst bees.

The Hanover Planning Board met July 11 to resolve and approve a permit to build steps from a cottage to the shore of Howard Pond.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



And the heat goes on. In the sun it has been 95-100 degrees. Hot, hot, hot. We made it through work this weekend, but not too easily. For anyone who thought I was being rude by not speaking to them, I wasn't. I have laryngitis and have since last Thursday. Hopefully by the time you read this I will be speaking again. It is hard on David because he has to make all my calls and cancel all my appointments, etc. He's not real happy about it, but neither am I. It is like being trapped in an unresponsive body. Not fun. Add that to the feeling that an elephant is sitting on my chest and that is how my week has gone.

Poets on the Porch X, the start to the Norway Arts Festival 2012 was very successful. Fortunately, Norway Library had a mic and John knew how to set it up. That was the only way I could be heard. Everyone else used just their voices. The library has very good acoustics. In any case, we all read a poem based on Barbara's picture of the marsh. It was quite fun. We also each read a poem by a local poet from yesterday. Then we also read several of our own poems. It was a great night.

Thursday, July 19, ACA will meet at the Norway Library. This is a discussion group and open to new members. FMI please call 739-9115.

Thursday evening from 6-7:30 at the Crooked River Adult Ed Center in Casco there will be a presentation on Tar Sands. This is important because it affects us all. FMI 430-0105.



NEW FARMERS' MARKET- A Wednesday Farmer's Market now takes place at Café DiCocoa on Main Street in Bethel. The market is in addition to the traditional Saturday one held on the Parkway. Hours are 4 to 7 p.m. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Friday, July 20, in Waterford, the Waterford World's Fair begins. Friday is agricultural and conservation day 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fairgrounds are on Irving Green Road. FMI call 743-5789 X 111.

Saturday, July 21, there will be a pancake breakfast at the Bethel Masonic Hall on Chapman Street, Bethel. Cost \$5 adults. Children under 12 free. Proceeds go to Telstar Project Graduation.

That is all for this week. Have a great week, stay hydrated and try to stay cool.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW met at the Grange Hall on July 9 and traveled to Bethel, where they visited the gravesite of Judith Grover whom the tent is named for. A memorial service was held at the gravesite. Next meeting will be on Aug. 13.

A very special program will be held at the Whitman Memorial Library on Saturday, July 21, at 10 a.m. This is for children of all ages 1 to 100. Young children must be accompanied by an adult. Douglas Twitchell, a ventriloquist and story teller, will be entertaining with puppets. There is no charge, light refreshments will be served, and everyone is welcome. It will be a program not to be missed.

The Grange will hold a bluegrass show in August. Looked to me like Mina Morgan had a great birthday party on her 90th

birthday. Hope you have many more, Mina.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15; morning worship at 10:30; evening service at 6; and prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 6:30. Vacation Bible School will be Aug. 6 through 10 from 6 to 8 p.m. They need coffee cans for a craft project, if you have any extra.

So. Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



Condolences to the families of Roger Strout, Richard L. Welch and Erland

F. (Bing) Noyes. Love and prayers to each family on the loss of their loved ones. I hope everyone is surviving this terrible humid weather - it truly is bad for those with breathing problems and other health problems. I left the air conditioners on last night as I knew it was supposed to be real humid today.

We spent some time with the residents at the Veterans' Home and Market Square Nursing Home this week; it's always great seeing all those smiling faces and spending our time with them. I so enjoy Larry Austin and his participation with the veteran's. Keep up the great work Larry, we so look forward to seeing you each month.

Looks like the lawns will need mowing again this weekend - that could be a every other weekend chore.

I went out the first of the week to use the weed-whacker to get some of the trimming done around my flowers - now they look

good for another week or so.

Ruth Dragon is spending a few days with her children in Massachusetts this week; sure hope it is much cooler down there for her visit.

Get well wishes are going out to Betty Davis, Jackie Harmon, Donna Palmer, Maude Alice Hadley, Bea Moreau, Maurice and Gloria Hadley and for those who are down with summer colds and allergies.

I have two pair of bluebirds nesting out under the eaves; they spend most of the day taking food to their little ones and they so love sitting out on the clothesline poles watching their nests.

Lots of summer activities going on throughout the county - arts festival, summer concerts, yard sales, farmer's markets, stock car races, a little something for everyone's pleasure.

If anyone has any news or events they would like to share with our readers please get in touch with me and I will post them here in our weekly column.

Y'all have a great week, stay well and do enjoy all the many wonderful blessings God blesses us with each day.

That's all from the valley this week. Have a great weekend.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



More Wild Weasel. The Air Force was concerned about continuing attacks against American

aircraft by NVN Mig 17 and Mig 21 fighters which were under ground control intercept (GCI) control whenever they thought conditions were favorable to them. American EB-66 aircraft were providing electronic jamming support from orbits over northern Laos and over the Gulf of Tonkin, but they were apparently too far away from the NVN GCI and SAM radars to effectively screen our fighters over northern NVN.

One day when Sam and I were debriefing ASCAT officer Frank Herty about our latest mission, he voiced his concern about the Migs. Then he asked me whether we were using our jamming pods against the SAM radars when we were in "SAM country." I said that we usually didn't use the jammers because they were not effective protection for individual aircraft. Not only that, but they created interference on our analysis scopes when we were attacking SAM sites.

Then Frank said that our jamming pods could be re-set to provide jamming against the GCI radars instead of SAM radars, and since we were much closer to them than the EB-66s, we might be more effective in interfering with them. Would Sam and I be willing to conduct an experiment and fly a mission with our "pod" re-configured to jam the GCI radars to see what happened?

I looked at Sam and said, "We'll try most anything once, won't we Sam." He responded, "Yeah, we can give it a bloody go one time, anyway."

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Sunday: 2 for 1 Appetizers
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panel by my warning receiver.

It stated that our jamming pod was now set to jam the NVN GCI radar frequencies instead of the SAM radar frequencies, and we were to turn it on as we entered into N. Vietnam.

As we entered N. Vietnam from northern Laos, I turned on the jamming pod. We crossed the Red River near Yen Bai and headed down Thud Ridge toward Hanoi. As we got about half way down Thud Ridge, the Launch light came on. I turned momentarily turned off the pod so I could see the SAM radar signals. Sure enough, two missiles were headed our way.

Sam dove left through a notch between the mountains, and the missiles impacted the mountains behind us.

As we returned to our course toward Hanoi on the other side of the ridge, the Launch light came on again! We again dodged back across Thud Ridge to evade missiles.

About this time, the strike force had dropped their bombs on target and were heading back to northern Laos.

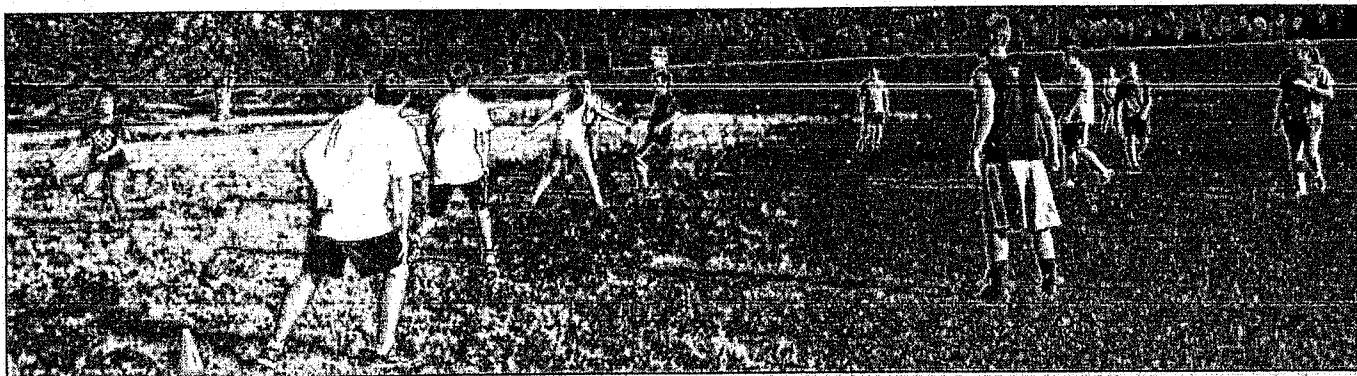
We took up our position behind the trailing strike flight and headed home. Once again, we had been so busy dodging missiles that we did not have time to attack a SAM site.

During debriefing, we told Frank Herty that we didn't really appreciate being "SAM bait" just to jam GCI radars!

We later learned that other wild weasels on the afternoon flights from both Takhl and Korat Air Base had similar experiences with their GCI jammers. We complained that it interfered with our primary function of escorting the strike forces and attacking SAM sites.

We were not again tasked to try this experiment, but, looking back, I think we must have created either confusion or concern on the NVN to cause them to react so violently to our jamming.

Perhaps we should have continued that effort.



SOCCER PLAYERS INVITED—Students, alumni, and community members have been gathering for pick-up soccer games at Telstar every Sunday and Wednesday morning this summer. New players are welcome at any time. The games are informal and open to anyone who shows up wanting to have fun and get some exercise. Games start at 7 a.m., last about an hour and a half, and will continue every Sunday and Wednesday through Aug. 8. Players should be middle-school-aged or older.

ERR horse shows

The Ellis River Riders will be holding two exciting days of horse shows this July 21 and 22. Saturday Show start at 9 a.m. Sunday starts at 10 a.m. On Saturday there will be a game show with fast & fun games for all ages and abilities. Barrel racing and pole bending plus much more. On Sunday the Ellis River Riders is hosting a National Barrel Horse Association show. Don't miss the chance to come and watch some of the fastest horses in the State compete. Some of these riders will qualify for the National Barrel Racing World Finals held in Georgia in the fall. Spectators are welcome and admission is free. The food booth will be serving till afternoon and there's seating to enjoy your meals. Saturday night there will be a Lobster and Chicken BBQ.

Grounds are Located on Airport Road in Andover. For more information visit the website www.ellisriverriders.com or call Deb @ 207-392-2381.

Andover Photography Contest

The Andover Photography Contest will be exhibited on Saturday, Aug. 4, in the Town Hall. Photographs are placed into two groups, children 17 and under/adult 18 and older.

There are five categories in which to submit: portrait, landscape, animal, photoshop, and black and white. There will be 147 ribbons awarded. Photographs can be submitted at the Andover Town Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, July 27, on Sunday, July 29, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and on Monday, July 30, from 5 to 7 p.m. The last submittal will be Wednesday, Aug. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. If you would like to drop off your photos in Mexico, call Kelly or Ray at 369-0559. Like us on Facebook at Andover Day to get updated information. Each photo must have name, town and age visibly printed on the reverse side. No professionals please.

Adults can submit up to 15 photographs, three per category. Children can submit a max of five in any combination of categories. Framed or matted photographs do not affect the judging, but it does complement the show. No photographs larger than 16x20 please. All photos must be picked up between 3 and 3:30 p.m. the day of the show.

Intern and collection staff join MMGM

The Maine Mineral & Gem Museum (MMGM) welcomed its first Student Intern, Myles Felch, of Union, Maine. Myles graduated from the University of Maine at Farm-

ington, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Geology. He will be living in Bethel until late July to complete his internship. Myles will begin a Master of Science degree in Mineralogy, Petrology and Pegmatology at the University of New Orleans, La., in August. Myles' study of minerals in Maine's quarries and mines has helped him catalogue minerals for the Museum. His expertise in Geology is an asset to the Museum as it makes progress on collection care and exhibition plans for next summer's opening. The internship is a reflection of the Museum's commitment to education for students of all ages, fostering science and community history research.

MMGM announces that Fred Bailey, of Andover, Maine, who has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Colby College in 2007, has joined the staff. As the Museum's Collections Assistant, he is cataloguing and photographing rock and mineral collections. A Libra Foundation and Maine Winter Sports Center-supported athlete, Fred is training to compete in the 2014 Winter Olympics United States Ski Team. Fred has his own firm, Fred Bailey Trail Design, with many projects in Aroostook County, from community snowshoe trails to a sprint course for the Junior Olympics Skiing Championships. Fred teaches youth programming at Black Mountain of Maine ski area in Rumford, and he helps with his family's dairy farm. Myles and Fred have been essential to the Museum as it makes progress on collection care with guidance from Museum Trustee and cataloguing volunteer Stephen T. Seames.

For more information on the museum, contact: Gena Schwam, Director, Maine Mineral and Gem Museum, at 824-3036, or gschwam@mainemineral-museum.org. Museum offices are located at 57 Main Street, Bethel, ME 04217.

Democrats open Norway office

The Oxford County Democrats held a Ribbon Cutting celebration at the Norway office on Satur-

day, July 14, during the Norway Art Fair, with Congressman Mike Michaud doing the ribbon-cutting honors assisted by local candidates including Dennise Whitley of Norway, candidate for State Senate in District 13; Mary Lou St. John of Norway, candidate of State Representative in District 95; Colin O'Neill of Oxford in District 100; Mike Broderick of Bethel in District 91; Charleen Chase of Bethel, candidate for County Commissioner; and Carol Gutekunst of Norway, candidate for Register of Probate. The group, accompanied by Oxford County Treasurer Roy Gedat, and Norway Office Intern Ashley Blake, spent an hour touring the festival.

Following the ribbon-cutting, Congressman Michaud visited with attendees in the Norway office. In addition to the office being open all day, a street-side table was staffed by Miriam Laster of Norway and Jim Burke of South Paris providing an abundance of stickers and materials, as well as a popular life-size replica of President Obama. The canopy in the nonprofit area of the Fair was staffed by volunteers from EqualityMaine Oxford County, providing free face-painting and an opportunity to pledge support for Yes on One.

The Oxford County Democratic Office at 55 Main Street in Mexico began operations on July 9 and has completed a busy week of setting up under the direction of Jimmy and Brenda McHugh of Mexico and Senator John Patrick.

County Chair Cathy Newell organized two phone banks in Mexico as well as two in Norway. Anyone interested in electing Democratic candidates is invited to contact Newell at 875-2116.

BHS hosts L.L. Bean presentation

On Saturday, July 7, author Jim Witherell presented an illustrated talk about L.L. Bean to a nearly full house at the Bethel Historical Society's Mason House. Based on his new book, "L.L. Bean: The Man and His Company: The Complete Story," Witherell showed a num-

ber of photos of Leon Leonwood Bean and his "flagship" store in Freeport, which has gone through a number of transformations since opening in 1912. Of his experience at BHS, Witherell stated, "I want to thank you for having me as your speaker on Saturday. As usual, everybody was wonderful, and I had a great time. Please extend my sincere thanks to everyone associated with the Bethel Historical Society. It's a terrific organization of which the community can be very proud."

This program celebrated the 100th anniversary of the L. L. Bean company; after the lecture, the author signed copies of his 576-page book, which is available from the Society's Museum Shop.

Society Executive Director Randall Bennett is pleased to announce that Carlee Beatson of Bethel has been chosen as the 2012 summer intern. The Bethel Historical Society's "High School History Internship Program" was inaugurated in 2007 to provide valuable historical education experiences for qualified students in grades 9 through 12 in SAD 44 and Gould Academy (students who are homeschooled or attending school elsewhere, but whose parents are legal residents of SAD 44, are also eligible). Over an eight-week period, interns participate in a variety of activities, including house museum interpretation, historical walking tours, exhibit research and preparation, special event and programming development, and collections management. This educational opportunity, which includes a \$1,000 stipend, offers important public history experiences and numerous insights into the preservation and interpretation of local and regional history. The society wishes to express its gratitude to Michael Stowell for his generous financial support of this year's summer internship.

The Bethel Historical Society has received a \$500 grant from Franklin Savings Bank to cover the cost of additional interior storm windows at the Robinson House. The society greatly appreciates this support, which will allow the organization to reduce its annual fuel consumption and preserve the historic appearance of this historic, 1821 residence, which was adapted for use as a museum in 1999.

The newest supporters of the society's summer events are Dick and Sally Taylor, the Town of Bethel, Donald M. Christie, Mary Eichel, Barbara Honkala, Jim and Linda Macgregor, Richard C. Valentine, Brendon and Jean Bass, Jim and Julie Bennett, Bill and Susan Herlihy, Stan Howe, Rose Mary McLean, and Marvin and Tineke Ouwinga.



BAILEY ESSAY ON FLOAT-BUILDING Last year Dusty Bailey took over from his father, Joe, the responsibility for designing the annual Bailey float for the Mollycoddle Days parade. Joe has dominated the competition, consistently winning first place. Dusty is shown here on last year's float, (at left). As a college freshman this past school year, he wrote an essay about trying to fill his father's shoes. Read it on the Citizen website at www.bethelcitizen.com.

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Saturday, July 21, 2012:

7-10 am All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast at The Bethel Inn Resort.

7-10 am 4th Annual Pancake Breakfast to benefit Telstar Project Graduation at Bethel Masonic Lodge, Chapman Street.

8 am-6 pm Library Book Sale on the library lawn.

9 am-5 pm Arts & Crafts Fair vendors on the common and along Main Street.

Stop by the Chamber tent all day for:

- MollyOckett Days schedules
- MollyOckett Days Sunday road races registration forms
- MollyOckett poster prints
- General information

9 am-5 pm Visit the Native American products displays on the common.

9 am Parade lines up at the Casablanca Cinema 4 back parking lot on Cross Street, Bethel. The parade features Miss MollyOckett, business and community floats, and more.

10 am Parade - Theme "The Arts & Traditions of MollyOckett."

11:15 am - noon The W.I.L.D. Center Zoological Park of New England - 45-minute show featuring seven species native to North America. Children's entertainment is sponsored by Bethel Rotary Club.

11:30 am Guided One-hour Walking Tour of Historic Bethel Hill. Meet at the bell on the north end of the common

11:30 am Food & drink on the Common, on Main Street, and at the Fire Station.

12:30 pm Presentation of Miss MollyOckett, Kallie Brown, medallion/treasure hunt clue and parade prizes awarded

1 pm Frog Jumping Contest organized by Allen & Mame Connors.

1-1:45 pm Native American music - drums, percussion, and flutes. Connie St. Pierre and Pat Malia.

1-4 pm Hands-on Native American Basket Weaving demonstration working with 10 people at a time, until supplies run out. Use this technique to make your own woven bookmark.

1-4 pm Guided Tours of the Moses Mason House across the street at the Bethel Historical Society.

2-4 pm Paper Making with Sara Hemeon of Elements Art Gallery

2-3:15 pm Passamaquoddy traditional medicine, plants & healing with Fredda Paul, elder healer from Pleasant Point, ME

4 pm Pizza Eating Contest at Home Slice Pizza, 188 Main Street, Bethel. Kids at 4:00 (free); adults at 4:15 (\$10 entry fee). Prizes! Live music! Cool raffles! Give aways! All for an awesome cause, helping to pay for Mr. Silas Brown to benefit from some swim therapy!

7-9 pm Penobscot Cultural Heritage Native American Drumming, Dancing and Narration. Participation is encouraged. A must see!

9 pm Fireworks behind The Bethel Inn Resort over the golf course.

Sunday, July 22, 2012:

7-10:30 am MollyOckett Days Classic Road Races Sponsored by Stephens Memorial Hospital

REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN:

7-8:15 am Kids' 1 Mile Fun Run

7-8:45 am Adult 3 & 5 Mile Race

START TIMES:

8:30 am Kids' 1 Mile

9 am Adults' 5 Mile & 3 Mile Walk

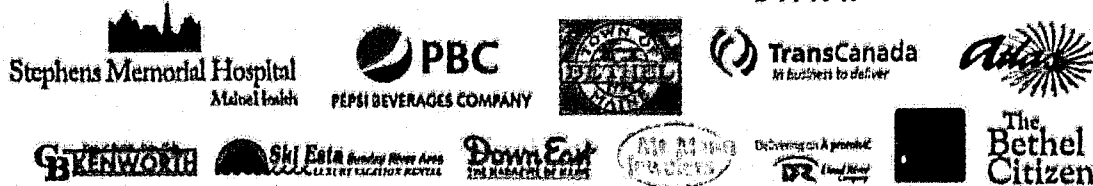
9:05 am 3rd Annual MollyOckett Days Diaper Dash, a fun race for crawlers and toddlers

10:30 am Race Awards

12 noon 2nd Annual MollyOckett Days "Tubing & Treasure" Scavenger Hunt. for families and individuals of all ages. Float in provided tubes from BOA to Davis Park. Then get your treasure map and find treasure between Davis Park and Bethel Outdoor Adventure! Prizes! Held at Bethel Outdoor Adventure / Maine Mineralogy Expeditions, 121 Mayville Road, Bethel.

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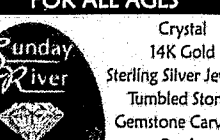


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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - HOLLYWOOD

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ACTOR
ACTRESS
AGENT
CALIFORNIA
CAMERA
CASTING
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EXTRA
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FIRST RUN
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Riddle Answer: _____

For more puzzle fun, go to www.brainzles.com

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Bird is missing. 2. Arm is missing. 3. Poles are missing. 4. Clothes in tree are missing. 5. Dock is missing. 6. T-shirt is missing.

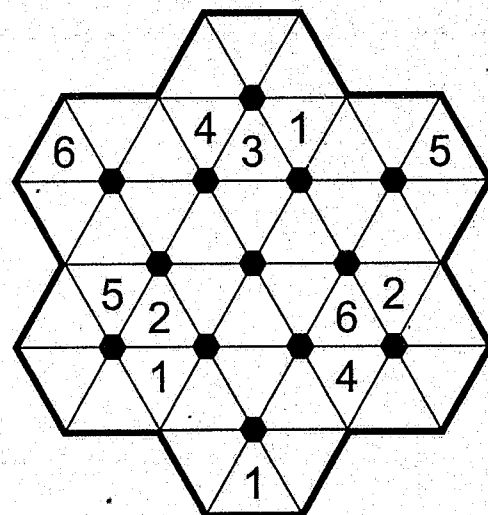
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them.

No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

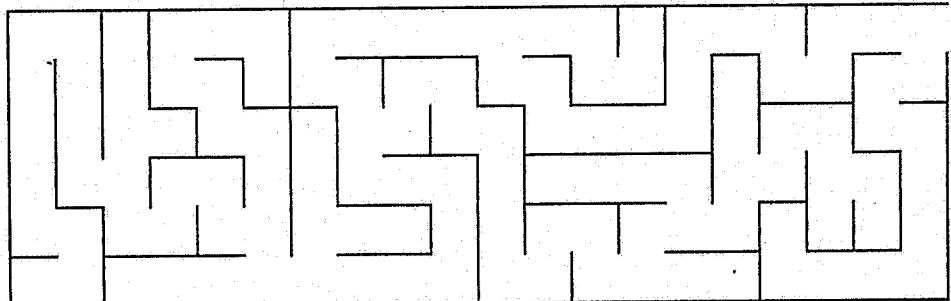


DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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Kids' Maze

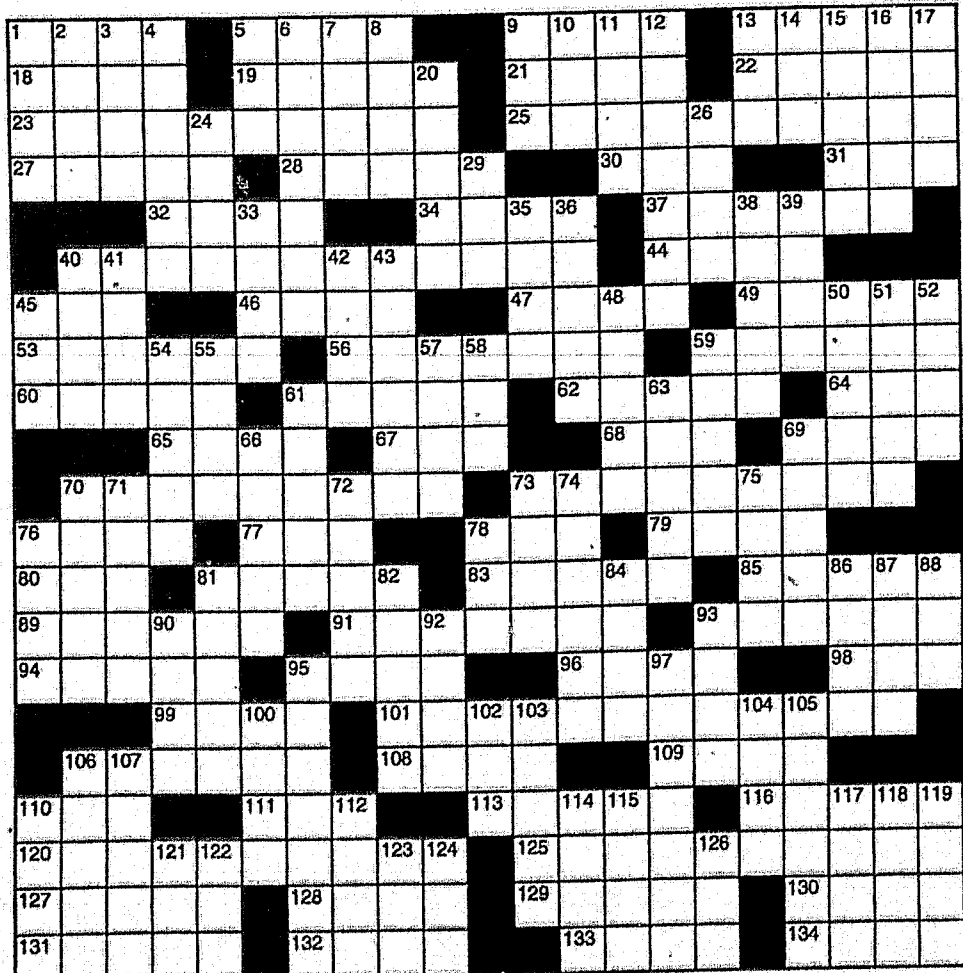


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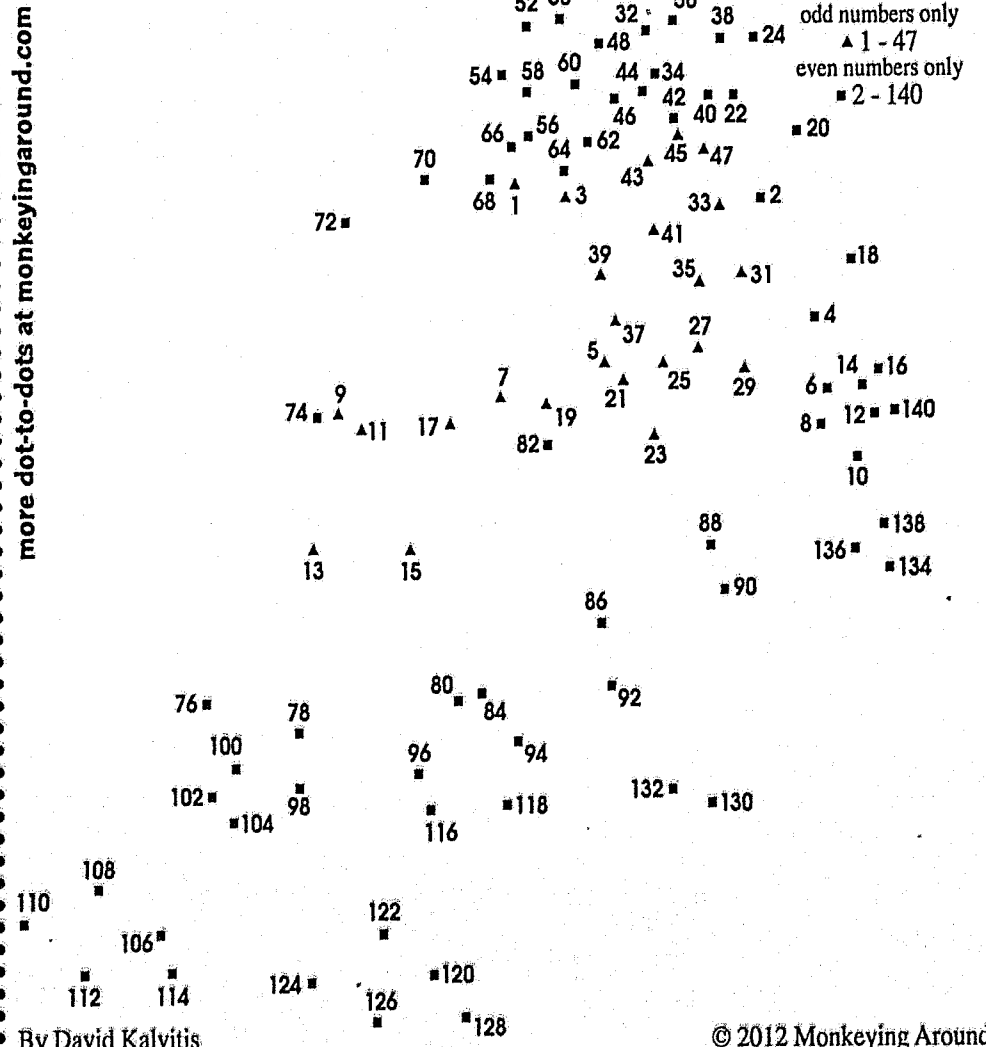
SIX-FOOTERS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Kite or coot
 - 5 Chihuahua snark
 - 9 "Goodbye, Columbus" author
 - 13 Egyptian
 - 18 Sore
 - 19 Addis —
 - 21 Merrill
 - 22 Menander's marketplace
 - 23 6' actress
 - 25 6' comedian
 - 27 Cook darts
 - 28 Trickle
 - 30 Clean-air org.
 - 31 Cartoon cry
 - 32 Wool
 - 34 Not — many words
 - 37 "Animal Farm" author
 - 40 6' actor
 - 44 Garfield's pal
 - 45 Tie the knot
 - 46 38 Down, for one
 - 47 — impasse
 - 49 Sour sort
 - 53 Swallow up
 - 56 Undergoes
 - 59 Make a pile?
 - 60 Pool person
 - 61 Puzzling problem
 - 62 Scarlett's sweetheart
 - 64 Actress
 - 65 Potter's need
 - 67 Browning's bedtime?
 - 68 Diva Marton
 - 69 Young or King
 - 70 6' designer
 - 73 6' author
 - 76 Art deco figure
 - 77 Marsh
 - 78 Parenthesis shape
 - 79 Melodious
 - 80 Deli loaf
 - 81 Robert of "The Citadel"
 - 83 Feline, familiarly
 - 85 Force
 - 89 '66 Michael Caine movie
 - 91 Supervise
 - 93 Take for granted
 - 94 Attack
 - 95 They may get cold
 - 96 Ring out
 - 98 Fix a fight
 - 99 And others
 - 101 6' singer
 - 106 Paraguayan lute
 - 108 Mediocre
 - 109 When pigs whistle, to
 - 110 Mongrel
 - 111 Address
 - 113 Actress
 - 116 Gettysburg commander
 - 120 6' trumpeter
 - 125 6' anthropologist
 - 127 Doll up
 - 128 Ireland
 - 129 County in
 - 128 Across
 - 130 Scorch
 - 131 Pass on
 - 132 Crowd-burst?
 - 133 Part of a threat
 - 134 Connecticut campus
 - 1 Supermarket supplies
 - 2 "New Jack City" actor
 - 3 Korean statesman
 - 4 Go-getter
 - 5 Lincoln son
 - 6 Disconcerts
 - 7 Spunkier's spot
 - 8 Tony's cousin
 - 9 Scott's "The Quartet"
 - 10 Mispickal, e.g.
 - 11 Become winded
 - 12 Queequeg's weapon
 - 13 Mr. Mineo
 - 14 Season
 - 15 Peg
 - 16 Shake-spearan
 - 17 Chore
 - 20 Clear jelly
 - 24 Love, to
 - 26 Grounds
 - 29 — Cat (winter transport)
 - 33 Relief
 - 35 Constellation component
 - 36 Furry fisherman
 - 38 Cowes' locale
 - 39 First name in architecture
 - 40 Fellow
 - 41 Brink
 - 42 Role for Liz
 - 43 Has a hunch
 - 45 Craven or Unsel
 - 48 Peter of Peter and Gordon
 - 50 It's down in the mouth
 - 51 Copper or cobalt
 - 52 Mastermind
 - 54 Quilter's cry
 - 55 Vegetate
 - 57 "Disco Duck" singer
 - 58 Keatsian crock
 - 59 Barrel part
 - 61 Tower
 - 63 Each's partner
 - 66 Head monk
 - 69 See 70
 - 70 With 69 Down, "Heaven" singer
 - 71 Stuff
 - 72 Dumbstruck
 - 73 "True —" (69 film)
 - 74 Arm-y types?
 - 75 Wading bird
 - 76 Therefore
 - 78 Canine grp.
 - 81 "Same here!"
 - 82 Lock
 - 84 "Lemon —" (65 hit)
 - 86 Immaculate
 - 87 Kuwaiti kingpin
 - 88 Turkey serving
 - 90 "I've — had!"
 - 92 Conductor
 - 93 — vera
 - 95 Roaring
 - 97 Twenties figure
 - 97 Canvas shades
 - 100 Inland sea
 - 102 Superlative suffix
 - 103 Nullifies
 - 104 "Nautilus" captain
 - 105 Formal
 - 106 Kid stuff?
 - 107 Comic Leon
 - 110 Canterbury cleaner
 - 112 Austin or Copley
 - 114 Velvet feature
 - 115 Bucket
 - 117 On the briny
 - 118 Distribute the deck
 - 119 Rochester's missus
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 - 126 Adversary



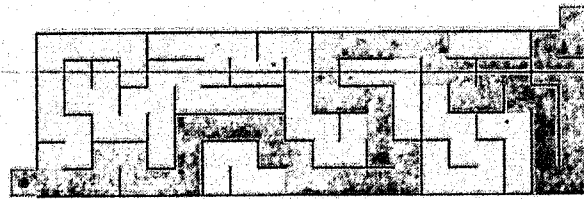
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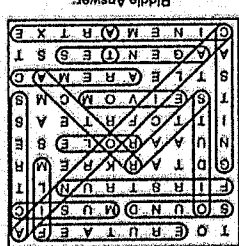


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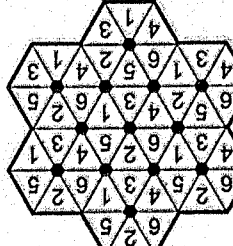
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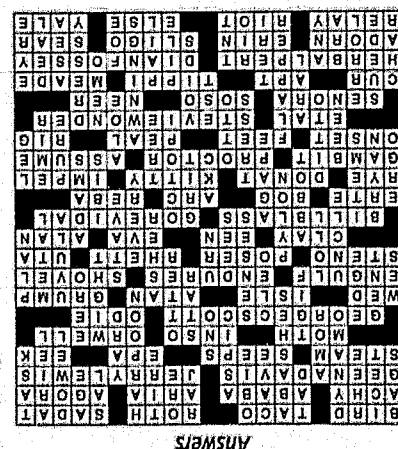
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Sports



ANDY VALLEY 10U TEAM WINS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP-Andy Valley 10U All Star Team won a State Championship last Thursday night at Field of Dreams in Harrison. Front: Wyatt Williamson, Jake Mills, Charlie Morton, Rodney Bean. Middle: Dom Valiente, Riley Volpe, Keagan Chase, Matt Johnson, Janeck Lukza, Luke Mowatt. Back: coach Janeck Lukza, Gary Williamson, Tom Morton. The front-page teaser photo shows Woodstock's Wyatt Williamson's last pitch to end the State Championship game with a strike out. They are now off to the Northeast Tournament held in Danbury, Conn.

Andy Valley Baseball

Andy Valley 12U All Stars Win Cal Ripken State Championship
The Andy Valley 12U All Stars captured the Maine State Championship defeating Mt Ararat in thrilling style. Undefeated Andy Valley was down 5-1 going into the bottom of the 6th inning, tied the game, and clinched the title in the extra inning. That sixth inning started with a full count walk by Ben English. Connor Truman hit a single to give Andy Valley first and second with no outs. After two strikeouts, Andy Valley was still down 5 to 1 with only one out to a loss. Tyler Swanbeck then hit a single that scored Ben English. Ben Bernier was intentionally walked to load the bases and bring up Troy Johnson. Johnson took a pitch and singled in a run to make it 5 to 3. Emery Chickering tied the score with a two run base clearing double. The game ended in the 7th inning with a bases-loaded walk off walk by Ben Bernier. Andy Valley swept districts 3-0, and went 4-0 through the State Championship Tournament held in Fryeburg. Ben Bernier, Emery Chickering, Josh Eliot and Troy Johnson handled the pitching duties for the championship run. Ben Bernier was a major contributor for the team with his solid pitching, tough bat and leadership behind the plate. Leadoff hitter Tyler Swanbeck used his bat and speed to cause havoc on the base paths for his opponents. Jack Morton backed up his solid second base play with his bat, hitting a homerun that ended the game 1 against Berwick. Emery Chickering hit a towering homerun in that game. Chickering also handled much of the catching duties for his fellow pitchers. Troy Johnson and Josh Eliot were solid at the plate, in the field, and on the mound. Outfielder Connor Truman tracked down fly balls and made key hits to help his team advance to regional play. First basemen Ben English and 2nd baseman Mack Pelletier led the defense and had key at bats in late innings that helped either tie or win games. Duncan Forbes added outfield depth, making key catches in pressure situations. Jack Crane and Tanner Mann both played stellar defense and gave Andy Valley much needed depth in the batting order, with late inning hits that helped the Andy Valley cause. This team will represent Maine in the Cal Ripken Regional Tournament in Burlington, Mass. starting July 20.



ANDY VALLEY 12U TEAM WINS CAL RIPKEN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
Front: Coach Steve English, Mac Pelletier, Tanner Mann, Jack Morton, Duncan Forbes, Tyler Swanbeck, Coach Rob Pelletier. Back: Jack Crane, Josh Eliot, Connor Truman, Emery Chickering, Coach Bob Mann, Ben Bernier, Troy Johnson, Ben English, Coach John Eliot. For an account of the game see below. The team travels this weekend to Massachusetts for playoffs. This is an expensive trip and the team would gladly accept donations in any amount. Anyone wishing to help can call 928-2051 or e-mail jandteliot@hotmail.com, or write a check to Andy Valley Cal Ripken League, 77 Skeetfield Road, Oxford, ME. 04270. All proceeds go toward the local teams expenses at the Northeast Regional Tournaments.

American Legion Baseball

Locke Mills Mountaineers 5, Bessey Motors 5; July 10 - The game ended in a tie after 9 innings. The game will be resumed on 7/19 at 4:30 at the Gould field prior to the actual game due to be played there at 5:30. Izaak Mills, Dan Whitney and Ben Field all pitched in this game and until the 7th inning Locke Mills was losing 5 - 0. They made a come back in the top of the 6th with Alec Manning reaching on a single, Ben Field then hit a home run. Kyle Peterson reached on an error and went to 2nd on a passed ball and scored on an error. In the 7th inning we then added 2 more runs when Jeb Clarke walked, Alec Manning reached on an error and Kurt Morgan brought them in with a double.

Locke Mills 9, Bath 3; July 12- Drew Wilson, T.J. O'Connor, Jeb Clarke all had singles, Dan Whitney, Jeb Clarke, Ben Field and TJ O'Connor had doubles in the game. Winning pitcher was Jeb Clarke who pitched 5 1/3 and Dan Whitney finished it out.

Locke Mills double header vs. Auburn; July 14 - LM won both games. The first took 10 innings and was tied 4 to 4 until the top of the 10th when Locke Mills finally broke through and Izaak Mills hit a double, Alec Manning was hit by a pitch, Kurt Morgan reached on an error and Ben Field doubled. Earlier in the game Kurt Morgan doubled, Ben Field singled, Corey Howard walked and Dan Whitney doubled. Dan Whitney was the winning pitcher throwing 9 innings with Ben Field closing it out in the 10th. The second game was won by Locke Mills in 6 innings 10 - 0. Kyle Peterson was the winning pitcher. Highlights were a single by Corey Howard followed by a home run by Jeb Clarke in the 1st inning. In the 3rd Corey Howard doubled, Jeb Clarke walked, Izaak Mills and Kurt Morgan singled. In the 6th inning Locke Mills scored 5 when Ben Field led off with a walk, Kyle Peterson singled, TJ O'Connor and Corey Howard singled, Jeb Clarke was hit by a pitch and Kurt Morgan singled.

Community Calendar

Clothing Exchange, Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12 a.m. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel, Monday-Wednesday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Food Pantry, Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0349).

Bethel Farmers Market open Saturdays thru Oct. 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Norway Savings Bank on Parkway, Bethel. Locally-grown fruits/veggies, naturally raised beef, pork, lamb, maple syrup, honey, baked goods, fruit spreads, fresh lobsters (cooked on site). bethelfarmersmarket.com or call 890-6859.

Fridays and Saturdays July and August

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Flea Market**, Pleasant Valley Grange Hall, Route 2, West Bethel. Glassware, cookbooks and cookware, tools, holiday decorations, fabric and notions, toys and other items too numerous to list.

Sundays thru July and August

2 to 4 p.m. - **Finnish-American Heritage Center Open House**, 8 Maple Street, West Paris (except Sunday, Aug. 19). Air conditioned and handicapped accessible.

Thru August

10 a.m. - **Waterford Library Story Time** for kids age 3 to 8. FMI: 583-2050 or e-mail wla@waterford.lib.me.us.

Thru Aug. 4

17th Annual Source to the Sea Trek (18-day trips between July 6-Aug. 4). Organized by Androscoggin River Watershed Council begins with sunset paddle near Lake Umbagog, meander through northern New Hampshire and western Maine and end in Brunswick. Paddlers may join trip for one day or many. Schedule, maps, section descriptions, special events, and easy online registration available at www.androscogginwatershed.org.

Thursday, July 19

6 p.m. - **Bethel Dog Park** meeting at Mahoosuc Land Trust, Route 2 next door to Crossroads Diner.

7 p.m. - **Woodstock Industrial Wind Energy Ordinance Committee** meeting, Woodstock Elementary School. Residents urged to attend.

Thursday nights, July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 20

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **Cruise Nites**, Breaux's Too, Woodstock Oil Parking Lot, Bryant Pond. FMI: 665-2554.

Friday, July 20

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. **2012 Agriculture and Conservation Day** at North Waterford World's Fair, North Waterford Fairgrounds. Children 12 and under must pre-register by July 15. All children must be accompanied by adult. Call 843-5789 Ext. 111 or e-mail jean.federico@me.nadnet.net

Friday and Saturday, July 20 and 21

Bethel Library Used Book Sale, library lawn at 5 Broad Street (across from Bethel Common) Friday, 12 noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, July 20-22

Waterford World's Fair, North Waterford Fairgrounds. New items this year: Antique tractors start 11 a.m. (FMI: Brian Winslow 450-1220) and ATVs pull 6 p.m. Saturday, July 21 (FMI: 743-9256).

Saturday, July 21

7 to 10 a.m. - **Pancake Breakfast**, Bethel Masonic Lodge, Chapman Street. All proceeds to support Telstar Project Graduation. Cost: \$5 adults/children 12 and under free.

10 a.m. - **Whitman Memorial Library**, Bryant Pond, presents puppet program by Douglas Twitchell, ventriloquist, story teller, musician. Young children should be accompanied by adult. Free and light refreshments.

Saturday and Sunday, July 21 and 22

All Day - **MollyOckett Days** in Bethel. Parade 10 a.m., followed by arts and crafts, food, Native American music, dance and craft demos, frog jumping contest, and much more. Sponsored by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. Complete schedule: mollyockettdays.com or call (800) 442-5826 or call 824-2282.

Ellis River Riders Horse Shows, Airport Road, Andover. Show starts: Saturday 9 a.m., Sunday 10 a.m. (National Barrel Horse Association show). Spectators welcome, admission free. Food booth open till afternoon. FMI: call Deborah Cayer 392-2381 or visit www.ellisriverriders.com.

Saturdays, July 21, 28

7 to 10 p.m. - **Dance**, music by Jones Dance Band playing old-fashioned dance music at Legion Hall, Church Street, South Paris. Admission: \$5 adults.

Sunday, July 22

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Car Wash/Bottle Drive**, sponsored by Bethel Rescue at SAD 44 Bus Garage, lower Main Street, Bethel.

Monday, July 23

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. - **Safe Sitter Class**, Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway. Cost: \$50. Scholarship available on request. FMI: 743-1562 Ext. 6951.

Tuesday, July 24

5:30 p.m. - **Oxford County Republican Committee Social Hour/Picnic** at Stan Howe's, 18 Broad Street, Bethel. Picnic 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$7. FMI: 824-2291

July 24, Aug. 14, Aug. 21

7 p.m. - **Mahoosuc Skye Celtic Series** performances at Bingham Auditorium, Gould Academy. July 24 features Tartan Terrors, North America's premier Celtic event. Aug. 14, performance: Cillian Valley on uilleann pipes and low whistle and Ryan McGiver on guitar and vocals. Aug. 21: Cuig, individual performers and emerging artists from Cape Breton in Nova Scotia. FMI: 824-3575.

Wednesday, July 25

International gathering on "tar sands" oil concerns for local Portland Pipeline at Davis Park, Bethel.

4:30 to 6 p.m. - **Community Supper** (no charge), Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walker's Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). FMI: 824-2289.

7 p.m. - **Waterford Library** presents "Tomes to 'Toons: A Writer's Continuing Evolution" by Linda Kilburn.

Wednesday and Thursday, July 25 and 26

Maine Conservation Corps (MCC) field team crew at Grafton Notch State Park seek volunteers for couple hours or both days (up to you). The crew will be repairing damage caused by Hurricane Irene. All safety equipment and tools provided. FMI: Sarah Gaffney (624-6092 or sarah.gaffney@maine.gov or visit www.maine.gov/doc/parks/mcc/volunteer.html.

10 a.m. - **Oil Painting Demo** by Winsor and Newton's Joe McCarthy at 100 Aker Wood Frame Shop joined by Western Maine Art Group at Matolcsy Art Center, 480 Main Street, Norway. FMI/register: Steve 743-9549 or e-mail Steve at straficonte@gmail.com.

Thursday, July 26

3:30 p.m. - **Waterford Library** sponsors The Treetop Collector's Club, a performance for kids by the MudEye Puppet Company, at Wilkins House, Plummer Hill, Waterford. Show includes a meet and greet for kids. Free but donations gratefully accepted.

7:30 - **Mollyockett Chorus**, "Sentimental Journey," Brick Church for the Performing Arts, 502 Christian Hill Road, Lovell. Tickets at door: \$10 (\$5 children 12 and under). FMI: 925-1500 or www.lovellbrickchurch.org.

Thursdays, July 26, Aug. 9 and 23 and Sept. 6

5:30 p.m. - **Albany Church Supper**, Hunt's Corner, Albany, to benefit scholarship fund. Doors open 5 p.m. Cost: \$7 adult/\$4 for 12 and under.

Saturday, July 28

7:30 a.m. on - **Blueberry Festival** at Locke Mills Union Church. Blueberry pancakes, sundaes, pies, baked goods, blueberries. Come and enjoy.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (rain date July 29) - **Moore Park Art Show**, South Paris. Artists invited to apply. FMI: www.MooreParkArtShow.org or call 890-9399 e-mail mooreparkart@gmail.com or visit www.mooreparkartshow.org.

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - **Summer Fair "Fun in the Sun"** at Lovell U.C.C. Route 5, Center Lovell. Treasures, raffle, gifts, baked goods, produce, flowers, balsam fir pillows. Luncheon.

8 p.m. - **Celebration Barn Theatre**, 17 Turner Street, Buckfield presents The Big Barn Family show. Doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets: all seats \$10 available at box office 743-8452. FMI: 743-8452

Saturday and Sunday, July 28 and 29

Multi-Family Yard Sale, 153 Paradise Road, Bethel, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and 12 to 3 p.m. Sunday. Sale benefits West Parish Congregational Church.

July 30-Aug. 3

Swimming Lessons for Andover children at GRCC. Free (paid by Andover Recreation Program). Children sign up at 12 noon first day at Roxbury Pond. FMI: Bob Anderson 369-9906. Lessons also available Black Mountain pool, Rumford, for sessions July 16-20. Call above number for more information re soccer or swimming.

Saturday, Aug 4

Andover Photography Contest exhibit in Town Hall. Photographs can be submitted at Andover Town Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, July 27, or Sunday, July 29 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or Monday, July 30 from 5 to 7 p.m. Last submittal Wednesday, Aug. 1, 5 to 7 p.m. To drop photos in Mexico, call Kelly or Ray at 369-0559. Each photo must have name, town and age visibly printed on reverse side of photo.

Tuesdays, Aug. 7, Sept. 11

2 to 4 p.m. - **McLaughlin Garden Power Propagators**. Volunteers meet in back corner of barn.

Wednesday, Aug. 8

11 a.m. - **Bethel Senior Citizens** meeting/picnic at Stony Brook Campground, Hanover. Members will bring salad or dessert to share. Program: Bethel Rescue on safety for seniors.

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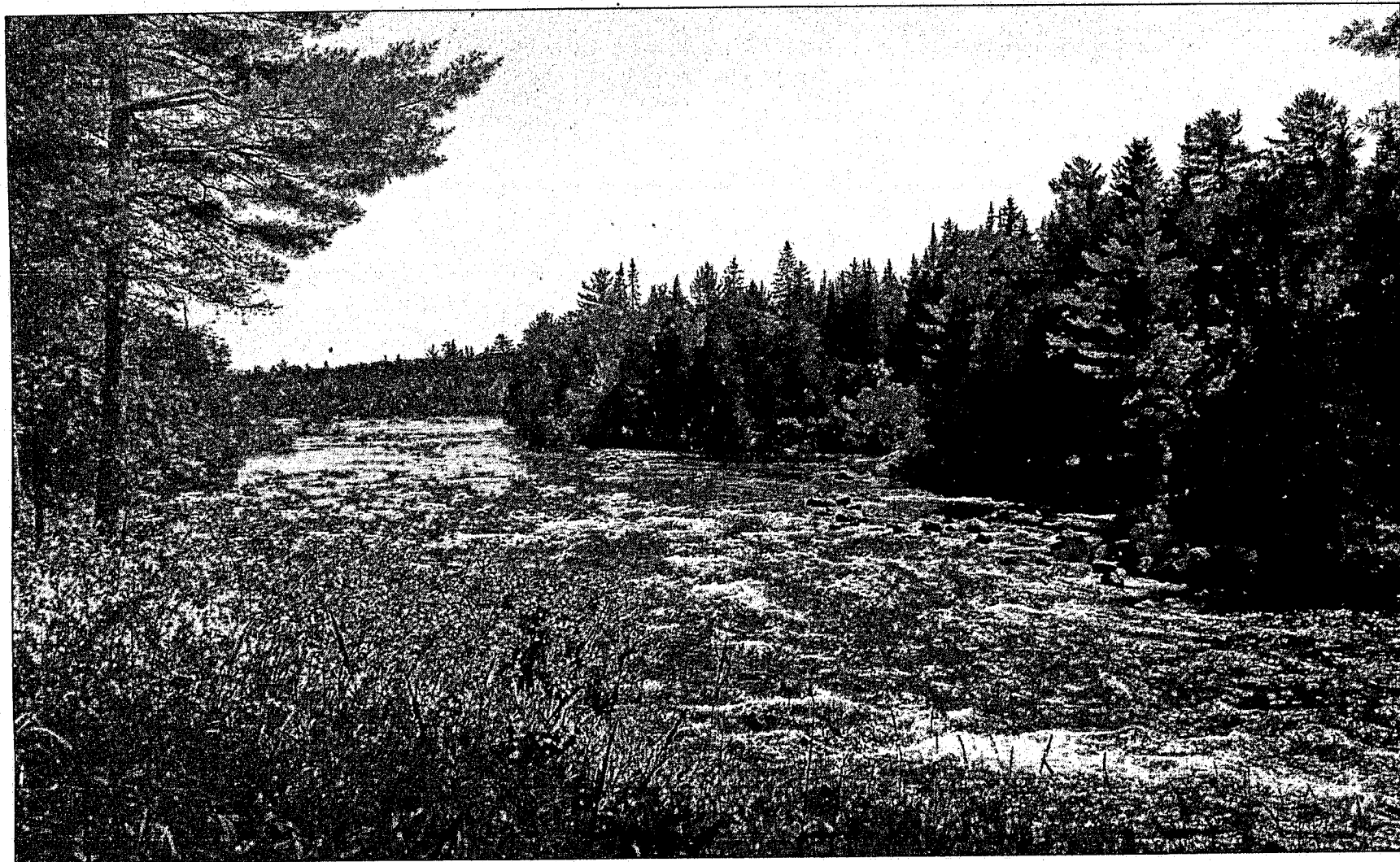
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Life at Forest Lodge, home of Louise Dickinson Rich

Top right: The Winter House. "The cabin, hereafter to be referred to as the Winter House, was the original Forest Lodge, built for a fishing camp. It is a low building with a porch and an ell, set on a knoll with a view up the river to the Pond-in-the-River."

Below right: The view upriver from the Winter House. In the distance on the river are the rocky remains of Lower Dam, which was dismantled in 2005 because it was losing its structural integrity.

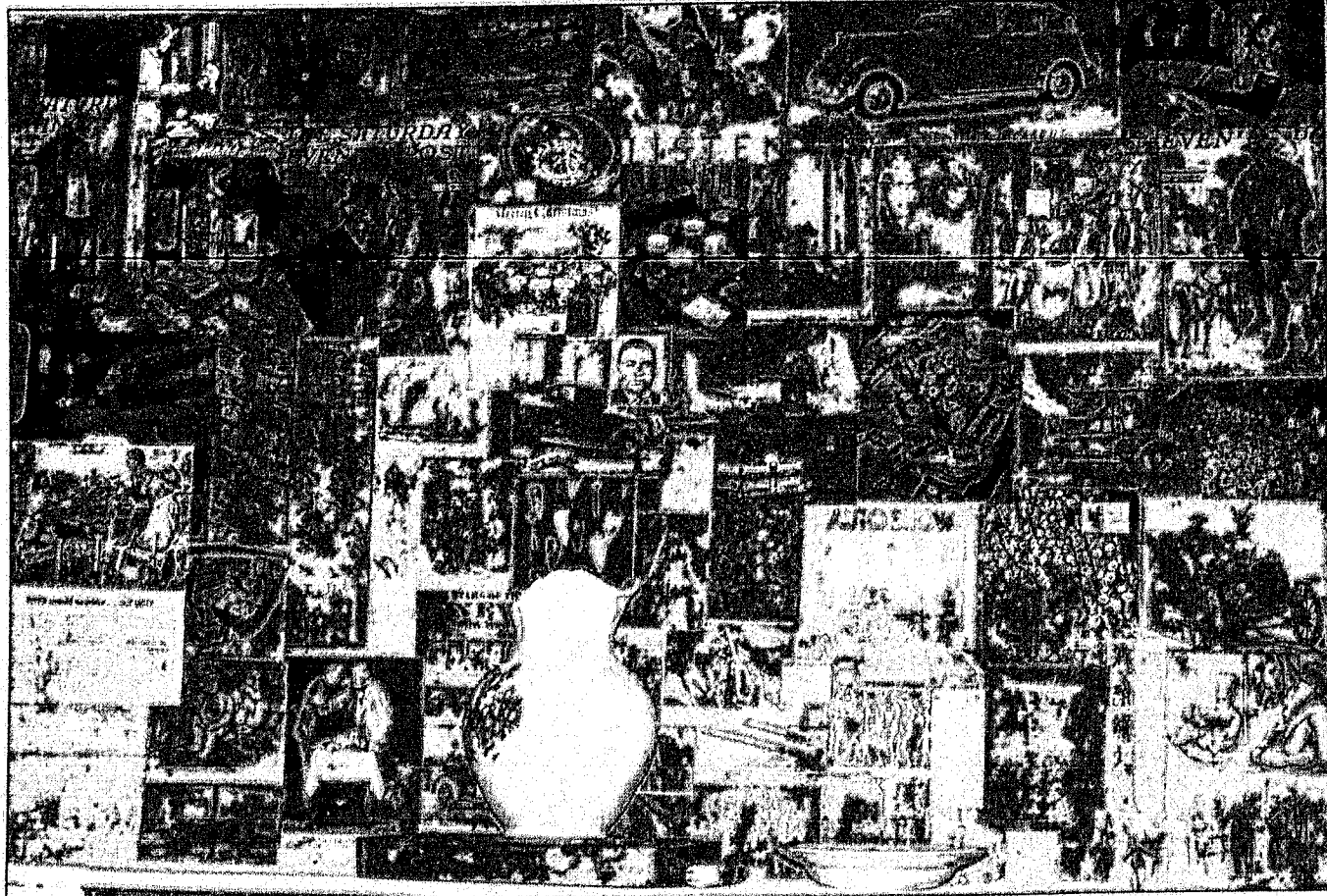
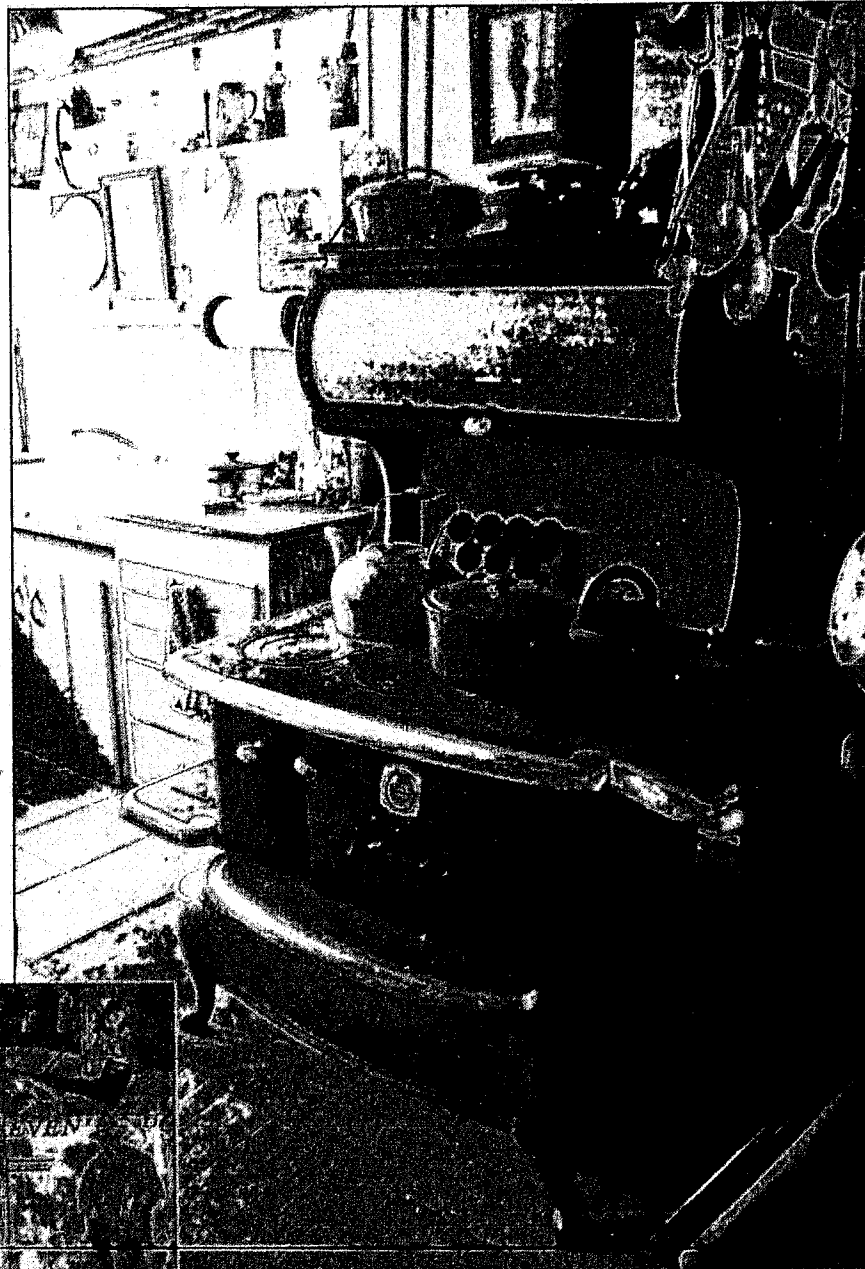
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The Rich's telephone in the Summer House. During log drive season, extra phones were hooked up at locations along the river: "Almost as soon as the phones are in, they begin to ring, strange numbers that have nothing to do with our simple, year-round, one, two, three, and four. They ring all the time, and I, neglecting my housework and throwing overboard all ethical scruples that first year, listened in. (That's all right to do, here. Often when I ask someone where they got a piece of news, they say quite frankly and shamelessly, 'Oh, rubbering on the telephone.') Just by standing in the kitchen with the receiver to my ear, I could see the drive get under way all up the length of the lakes."



Louise's cookstove in the kitchen at the Summer House, with one of her original pots on the top. "Often my pots and pans have to find what space they can around a soldering iron thrust into the fire-box, and my pot roast is shoved back in the oven to accommodate a pair of newly oiled boots that must be dried."



Above: Louise's typewriter near a window in the Summer House, with a copy of "We Took to the Woods" at left. Left: A wall in the Winter House wallpapered with covers from the Saturday Evening Post.

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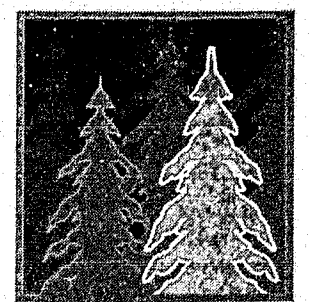
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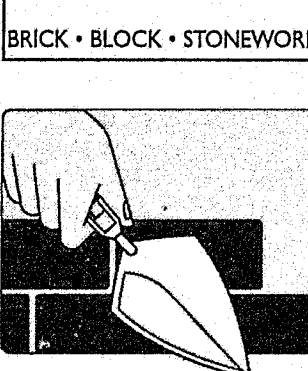
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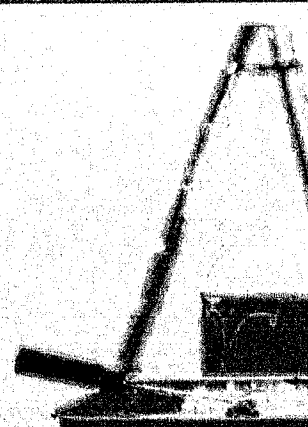
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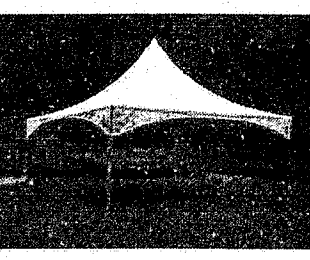
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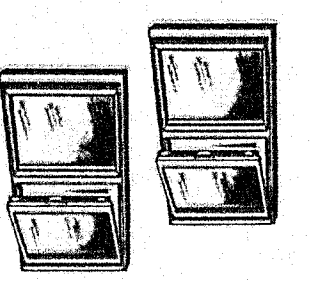
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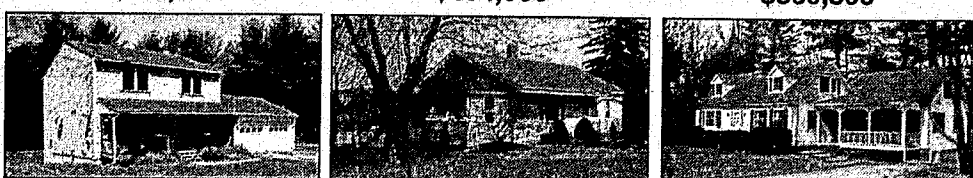
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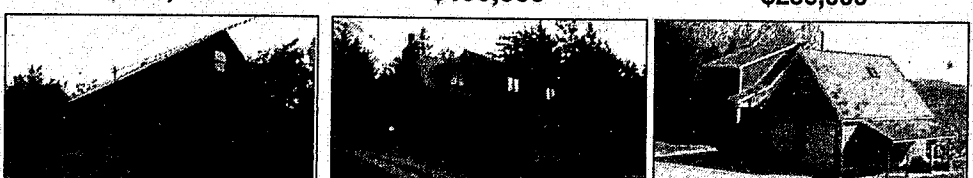
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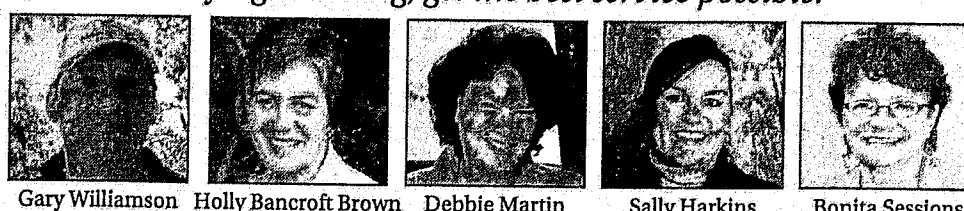
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SHEILA M.L. FORMAN

Sheila Mary Lloyd (Murphy) Forman, 89, of Peace Dale, South Kingstown, R.I., went to be with God at her Ocean Park, Maine home on July 13. She was born in Black Rock, County Louth, Ireland on Jan. 12, 1923.

Mrs. Forman was married to Gerard H. G. Forman on Oct. 24, 1947 in Dundalk, Ireland. They met on a tennis date, and the two continued to play their beloved sport into their retirement. Mrs. Forman played tennis until she was 85 years old. She was also an avid sailor, skier, walker, golfer and swimmer. She enjoyed traveling; her journeys included the Czech Republic, the United Kingdom, Italy, Spain, Hungary, and many other countries. She was a voracious reader and frequent member of local book clubs.

She attended nursing school at St. George's Hospital in London before and during World War II. She was an active member of St. John the Divine Church in Saunderson, R.I., where she sung in the choir and played the hand bells. She was also an active member of the North Kingstown, R.I. PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization) International Sisterhood chapter. Mrs. Forman was active in the Ocean Park Association of Ocean Park, Maine, where she served on several committees, including the Ocean Park Tennis Association. She was an active member of the

Edgewood Yacht Club, where she sailed in the women's "Hens" group.

Mrs. Forman was predeceased by her loving husband, Gerard H. G. Forman and her sister, Moira (Murphy) Long.

Surviving members of her family are: (sister) Elizabeth Faith Murphy of Worthing, England; (sons) Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Lesley Smith of Cheshire, England; Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey H. L. and Mary Forman of Litchfield, Connecticut; and Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. and Valerie Forman of Bryant Pond, Maine; (in-laws) Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Monica Forman of Peterborough, N.H. She is also survived by four grandchildren: Mrs. Rachel and Matthew Manktelow, and Laura Smith; Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin L. and Allyson Forman; and Schuyler H. Forman; as well as great grandchild: Harry Manktelow. Mrs. Forman had nieces and nephews whose residences span the world: Mr. and Mrs. Laurence and Nicolette Wellington (Massachusetts), Ms. Vivien Grainger (Northern Ireland), Mr. and Mrs. Anthony and Kristen Forman (Connecticut), Mr. and Mrs. Brian Long (Northern Ireland), Mr. and Mrs. Anthony and Mary Long (Ireland), and Ms. Lucinda Cafford (Australia).

The funeral service will be held at St. John the Divine, Saunderson, R.I. on Aug. 25 at 10 a.m. A memorial service will also be held; it will take place in Ocean Park, Maine on Aug. 5 in Porter Hall at 2 p.m.

PETER A. STEUCEK

Peter A. Steucek, age 61, of Rye, N.H., died Thursday, July 12, 2012 of cancer.

He was born in Hartford, Conn., on March 26, 1951 and was a resident of Rye, N.H., and Newry/Bethel, Maine. He attended Wethersfield High School and the Hart College of Music in Hartford, Conn. Peter was a passionate

musician, teaching music in the Portsmouth School District for 35 years. He was a leader in the Memorial Bridge All Stars Band and played in the Seacoast Big Band entertaining people around New England for 22 years. Peter's love of music inspired many of his students to pursue a career in music. He touched many lives and will be missed by all.

Peter's other passions were traveling and skiing with his family.

He is survived by his loving wife Beth; his daughter, Izzy, an outstanding student and athlete; his mother, brother, sister and 13 nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, Peter requested that donations be made to Project Safety Association, P.O. Box 4345, Portsmouth, NH 03802-4345.

A celebration of Peter's life will be held on Friday, July 20, 2012 at 1 p.m. at the Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye, N.H.

ELEANOR TRUITT

Eleanor "E.G." Truitt, 80, of Auburn, passed away Saturday, July 14, 2012 with her loving family at her side.

She was born in Bethel, Nov. 9, 1931, the daughter of the late Adney and Agnes (Seaver) Gurney. She graduated from Gould Academy, Class of 1949 with honors, the fourth of her class. On June 25, 1949, she married Roscoe Truitt, and they moved to Auburn in 1952. She worked at Depositor's Trust Co. before moving on to Casco Bank and Trust, where she eventually was promoted to assistant vice president, retiring from banking in 1991. She then went to work at the Department of Corrections, Probation and Parole Office on Main Street, Auburn and then at American Express Financial Advisors until 1998, when she retired.

She was a member of High Street Congregational Church, where she

served on the administration, finance and stewardship board and was a member of the Parish Guild. She was also a member of the Auburn Art Club, Chapman House Board of Directors, National Association of Bank Women Board, American Institute of Banking Board and Credit Women International. For many years, she served as treasurer of the Maine Junior Miss Pageant Committee.

She enjoyed traveling, taking several trips to England, Scotland, Wales. She loved to eat out, especially at Pat's Pizza every Tuesday at noon with her hairdresser friend Irene Roy.

She was a proud woman, using pride in the best sense of that word. She took pride in her appearance, always looking as though she had just "stepped out of Vogue." She was proud of her home, of her impeccable work ethic, and most of all, she took pride in her family.

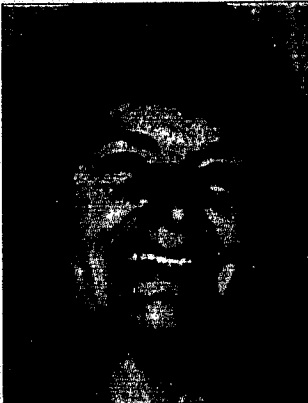
She loved sports, especially watching the Celtics, Red Sox and Patriot's games. She also enjoyed skiing, music, and theater. She loved Christmas and enjoyed decorating, hanging tinsel one string at a time and "titivating" the lights. What made Christmas truly special to her was the time spent with family and Christmas Eve services at church.

She is survived by her daughter, Terri DeFilipp of Auburn; her grandson, Andrew Joseph DeFilipp; and granddaughter, Stephanie Elaine DeFilipp. She was predeceased by her parents.

The family would like to thank the caring staff at Montello Manor where she received wonderful care.

You may share your thoughts, condolences and fond memories with the Truitt family by visiting their guest book at www.theforthingroupauburn.com.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, July 21, at High Street Congregational Church, Auburn, at 11 a.m. After a reception at the church, committal services will be held at Mt. Auburn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Eleanor's memory to The Parish Guild, High Street Congregational Church, 106 Pleasant Street, Auburn, ME 0410.



MARGARET E. SICOTTE

Margaret Ellen Sicotte, 89, of Bryant Pond, crossed on July 16, 2012, at Ledgeview Living Center, West Paris.

She was born in Berlin, N.H., on Nov. 4, 1922 to Alfred and Susan (Ashley) Levesque.

Mother enjoyed camping at Littlefield Beaches for over 40 years. It enabled her to connect with many friends and family from the Berlin area. She was active in the PTA, and also the Extension and other organizations. She served a term as president of the American Legion Auxiliary, and was a member for 50 years.

Her survivors include brothers: Joseph Levesque of Berlin, N.H., and Franklin and wife Lorraine Levesque of Massachusetts; sister-in-laws, Rolande and Doris

Levesque of Berlin; children: Gerald W Smith of Virginia, Susan M Smith Ellis of Bryant Pond, Gertrude E Smith Friel of Bryant Pond, Rebecca J. Sicotte Higginbotham and son-in-law Jack, and Louis J Sicotte Jr and companion Veronica Brown; stepson, Danny Sicotte and wife Linda of Permaquid, Maine; 22 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; especially her long-time loyal friend, Helen Radsky of New Hampshire.

She was predeceased by her parents; husbands, Laverton S. Smith, and Louis J. Sicotte Sr.; brothers, Eugene, Raymond and Leo Levesque; sister-in-laws, Betty Levesque and Denise Crodeau.

Many thanks to everyone at Ledgeview for the love, kindness, and compassion you showed to Mother. You became her family and community as well.

She suffered greatly these last few months and we are glad that she is now at peace.

We will miss her! Condolences may be expressed at www.funeralalternatives.net.

There will be a family graveside ceremony in Augusta in the fall.

Births

Rebecca Rivard and James Good of Titusville, Fla., are happy to announce the birth of their son, Anthony James Good, born on April 17, 2012.

Maternal grandparents are Lydia Westleigh of Mechanic Falls, Maine and Earl Rivard of Hiram, Maine.

Paternal grandparents are Richard and Diana Good of Port Saint John, Fla.

Maternal great-grandparents are Marjorie Westleigh of Albany Township, Maine, and Claudette Rivard of Cornish, Maine.

Paternal great-grandparents are Henrietta Yurrovahk of Hazelton, Pa., and Charlie and Mary Good of Hazelton, Pa.

Asa and Lisa Meader Hunton are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Waylon Bo Hunton, born on April 22, 2012 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, weighing 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are the late Frederick Lavis Meader of Albany and Patricia and Willie Gaudreau of Waterford.

Paternal grandparents are Diane Packard of Lewiston and Douglas and Clairra Hunton of North Norway.

Kaylie Kennison and Justin Wight of Norway are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Kennedy Elaine Wight, born on May 6, 2012 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 15 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Brenda and Lenny Wescott of South Paris.

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August 19 - 2-4pm at the Mill Hill Inn
Write down a memory and bring it along! No gifts please



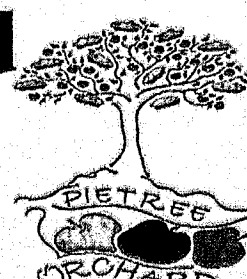
We want to thank all of our family and friends for your love and support.

Betty Gingras, Greg Gingras, Jing, Eidson Lynne, Tom, Jonathan, Nicholas York, Edna York

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Wheeler's Redemption Center
WILL BE CLOSED
JULY 21, 2012
Business Hours: 8-4 Tues, Thur, Fri & Sat
Closed: Sun, Mon & Wed
Notice: Bottles and cans must be clean and not crushed
890-4977

Maine Farm Sunday • July 22
We welcome you to OPEN Farm Sunday
Tour the Orchard and learn about how & what we grow
Woodlands Fire Safety with the Sweden Fire Dept.
7:30am - 5pm
PYO Blueberries Daily 8:00am-12pm
Farmstand Open Daily 7:30am-6pm
Families Welcome!
Pietree Orchard
803 Waterford Road
Sweden, ME 04040
(207) 647-9419



Deepwood Farm
207-824-2595
www.deepwoodfarm.com
ADVANCED CAMP - 5 DAY
must walk/trot/canter - \$600 (\$175 deposit)
July 16 - 20 Overnight Camp
Highlight for youth camps: Overnight camp out in the mountains with the horses

Lessons and Trail Rides Daily
KIDS CAMPS - 3 DAY
AGES 6-10 - \$255 (\$85 deposit)
July 2 - 4 & July 23-25
Overnight Camps
DAY CAMP \$185
Highlight: Horse Show the last day
YOUTH CAMPS - 5 DAY
AGES 11+ - \$600 (\$175 deposit)
June 25 - 29 July 9 - 13 Overnight Camp
LADIES WEEKEND
3 DAY - Aug. 24 - 26 Overnight Camp
\$255



Welcome into our large family
Corman James Mann
June 28, 2012
5 lbs 10 oz
Yo Love You!
Grammie & Grampa Cariveau

OPEN HOUSE for MAINE FARM DAY!
This Sunday, July 22 - 10:30-2:00
Come see our piglets, geese, ponies and cattle!
The Perennial Inn and Farm
141 Martin Rd., Rumford Point
207-369-0309



The family of Cynthia Cox would like to thank everyone for their kind words, cards, prayers and thoughts in our time of need.

Special thanks to Locke Mills Union church and the Ladies Circle. Also special thanks to the Androscoggin Hospice team, both Home Health and the Hospice House, also Chaplain Lisa Bradford for the incredible service.

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